

WEATHER FORECAST

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m., Wednesday.
Victoria and Vicinity—Light to moderate winds; generally fair and mild.
Lower Mainland—Generally fair and mild.

Victoria Daily Times

WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Royal—The Better 'Ola.
Pantages—Vaudeville.
Dominion—Sporting Life.
Columbia—Three Mounted Men.
Romano—Last We Forgo.
Variety—Moral Suicide and Houdini.

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GERMANY MUST PAY THE ALLIES HUGE AMOUNT

BUCHAREST DISPATCH SAYS ALLIED TROOPS ON WAY TO HUNGARY

Men Are Reported to Be Landing at Constanza, on Roumanian Black Sea Coast; Americans in Coblenz Area Make Germans Work

London, April 1.—It is reported from Bucharest that Entente troops are being landed at Constanza, on the Black Sea coast, on their way to Hungary, according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Central News to-day.

Constanza is a port on the Black Sea about midway between the mouths of the Danube and the port of Varna, Bulgaria. It is in the Dobrudja, that part of Roumania which lies between the Danube and the Black Sea. A railway connects Constanza with Tchernavoda, on the Danube.

Coblenz, March 31.—Via London, April 1.—(Associated Press).—Unable to obtain Germans to work voluntarily on supply depots for the American Third Army, which are under construction near Bendorf, the American military authorities to-day requisitioned 300 laborers through the German civil officials. The men will be paid nine marks per day.

Because of several minor labor disturbances recently among civilians employed under American supervision, General Dickman, commander of the American army of occupation, to-day issued a warning against strikes. This proclamation, which has been circulated throughout the occupied area, says that all laborers voluntarily in the service of employers engaged in work for Americans or working for the army under requisition or otherwise are "forbidden to join in any plan to attempt or carry out any scheme to strike or abandon work."

It announces that "any violation of this order will be punished by American military tribunals."

TRIED TO FRIGHTEN THE ALLIED POWERS

Hungarian Leaders Plunged Country Into Bolshevism to Influence Victors

Paris, April 1.—(Havas).—Documents in possession of the French and Roumanian Government, newspapers here say, prove that the advent of the Communist regime in Hungary was due in great part to a manoeuvre of Count Karolyi in conjunction with the German Government. The movement was aimed directly at the Allied Powers, it is said.

DIED AND WAS ROBBED.

Toronto, April 1.—It has been made known in police circles that Robert G. Spence, a Hamilton traveler, found dead in a culvert off Queen Street, Humber Bay, did not meet death through violence. Alcoholism is given as the cause of death. The police, however, believe that Spence had been robbed of \$200 which he had on him when last seen alive.

FOCH TO TELL ERZBERGER HOW THE ALLIES PROPOSE TO USE PORT OF DANZIG

Paris, April 1.—(Havas).—Marshal Foch will leave Paris to-night for Spa to meet Matthias Erzberger to discuss with him the demand of the Allies that Polish troops be permitted to use the port of Danzig. The Marshal has received full powers to negotiate with German representatives. He will be in constant communication with the Council of Four.

The Inter-Allied Shipping Commission has completed preparations to transport the Polish troops to Danzig.

Washington, April 1.—The United States War Trade Board announced to-day resumption of trade with Poland and with Estonia. Shipment of commodities to Poland should be routed via Danzig, the board said. The Allies are believed to have the situation relative to Danzig so well in hand that shipments through the German port may be made with safety.

Paris Hoax Took Form of a Rumor Peace Pact Signed

Paris, April 1.—Somebody started a story this morning that Colonel E. M. House had announced that the peace treaty had been signed. The report rapidly spread over all Paris and the telephone wires to American headquarters in the Hotel de Crillon became hot with inquiries as to the truth of the rumor. It did not take long, however, for inquiries to realize the character of the report when they were reminded that to-day was April 1.

Germans Gathering Troops at Towns Near Prussian-Poland Line

Paris, April 1.—(Havas).—The Germans are concentrating large forces in Eastern Prussia under command of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, according to the Paris edition of the New York Herald. The German forces are being gathered in Graudenz and Thorn, in order to defend the railway line from Danzig to Posen.

GEN. SMART ADDS TO HIS CHARGES OF BAD OVERSEAS CANADIAN ARMY CONTROL

Ottawa, April 1.—Brigadier-General Charles A. Smart, C. M. G., Conservative member for Westmount in the Quebec Legislature, who on March 14 delivered a vigorous criticism in the Legislature of the Canadian medical service overseas, has issued a reply to statements made by Sir Thomas White in the Commons when the matter of his criticism was the subject of a question by Hon. Charles Murphy.

In a letter to the editor of The Ottawa Citizen, Brigadier-General Smart states:

"With reference to my statements in the Quebec Legislature on March 14 charging inefficiency and neglect on the part of the administration of the Canadian medical service in England, and also inefficiency and favoritism on the part of the overseas administration generally, be good enough to allow me space to reply to the shifty and evasive denial given to my charges by Sir Thomas White in the House of Commons."

A Commission.

General Smart issues the following challenge: "If Sir Thomas White places the welfare of the country ahead of other considerations he will see that an impartial Commission is appointed immediately to investigate the whole subject of overseas administration, and especially that of the overseas medical administration in England. Such a Commission could and should have wide powers and be authorized to investigate fully."

"First—The Colonel Bruce report and recommendations.
"Secondly—The report of the Baptist Commission.
"Thirdly—Colonel Bruce's reply to the Baptist report.
"Fourthly—The Taplow Hospital scandal.
"Fifthly—The report of Lieut.-Colonel J. S. Jenkins, submitted to the Overseas Minister of Militia in November, 1918."

Charges Persecution.
"So far as lay in the power of Sir George Perley, Colonel Bruce and the other officers who assisted him in making inquiries were persecuted. I stated that Lieut.-Colonel F. W. Wilson, of Niagara Falls, who collaborated with Colonel Bruce, one of the best officers in the C. A. M. C., also was persecuted by being relieved of his appointment as Deputy Director of Medical Services, Headquarters, London, and sent off as a medical officer to a forestry unit in the Jura Mountains. An attempt was made to 'square' Lieut.-Colonel Wilson, but like the sterling man he is he refused to be 'squared,' and when I left England in February he was still 'carrying on' with his unit."

Continuing, General Smart says: "But the Acting Prime Minister ignores entirely the specific nature of the charges I made, including the one regarding the treatment given to the late Major-General Sir Sam Steele. If all the papers in connection with that matter are not called for and produced in the House of Commons, they will be made public in due course."

Gen. Steele.

"It is significant that several of the charges I made have been corroborated by other officers recently returned from overseas. Lieut.-Colonel Peck, V. C., confirms my statement that there was an intrigue to get rid of Lieut.-General Sir Arthur Currie, while Lieut.-Colonel Price and Lieut.-Colonel Pratt, both members of the Ontario Legislature, confirm my statements about the inefficiency and pull at Argyl House. Does Sir Thomas White also insinuate that these officers had disappointed expectations?"

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National Liberal Convention Is Set for August 5, 6 and 7

Ottawa, April 1.—The National Liberal Convention will be held in Ottawa on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 5, 6 and 7 next. Details for the holding of the Convention will be announced shortly.

The date of the Convention was announced by James A. Robb, Chief Whip, at the conclusion of a prolonged caucus of the Liberal members and Senators to-day.

POLAND WANTS LOAN OF 5,000,000,000 FRANCES

Paris, April 1.—A Warsaw dispatch to the Havas Agency says the Polish Diet has authorized the Government to raise a foreign loan of 5,000,000,000 francs.

CONVICTION MADE IN NORTH VANCOUVER

Police Commissioner Martinson Found Guilty of Having Liquor; Will Appeal

Vancouver, April 1.—Basing his decision on the two points, that liquor was found in the building as charged and that the building, although used partly for domestic purposes as house-keeping rooms, was a building other than a dwelling house under the Prohibition Act, Magistrate Watt-Doney this morning found Police Commissioner M. R. Martinson, of North Vancouver, guilty of having liquor illegally in possession at his office on Lonsdale Avenue.

The case, which it has been declared by Mr. Martinson rested on "a plant," will be appealed. The magistrate deferred sentence for one week. William Savage, counsel for Mr. Martinson, asked for a stated case on legal points at issue.

OFFER ACCEPTED BY SCOTTISH MINERS

Sankey Scheme Satisfies Lancashire Men, but Not South Wales Miners

London, April 1.—Delegates representing the Scottish miners at a meeting in Glasgow have endorsed the Government's terms as to wages and working conditions based on the report of the Coal Commission of which Mr. Justice Sankey was chairman, and have advised the miners to accept them. Similar action has been taken by the miners' associations in the Yorkshire and Cleveland fields, while the Lancashire miners are reported to be generally satisfied.

A dispatch from Cardiff last night said that at a conference of the South Wales miners yesterday a resolution had been adopted advising the Government's Federation to reject the Government's terms of wages and working conditions for the coal miners based on the recent report of the Sankey Commission.

The Sankey report recommended seven hours of work underground instead of eight hours from July 15 and six hours from July 13, 1921, subject to the economic condition of the country.

It also recommended an increase in wages and that the colliery workers should have an effective voice in the direction of the coal mines.

STUTTGART HAS BOURGEOIS STRIKE

Counter-Move Against Workers; Release of Ledebour and Others

Stuttgart, April 1.—A bourgeois counter-strike has been begun here as a reply to the general strike of workers. Most of the shops are closed, the railroad and postal services are suspended and the gas works are shut down.

Release of Prisoners.

Berlin, March 30.—The Executive Council of Greater Berlin has adopted the appeal of the Communist Workers' Council for the release of George Ledebour and other political prisoners. It was decided to demand of Chancellor Scheideemann that he effect the release of these men immediately, on the basis of a promise made on March 6. On that date the Chancellor said he was unable to grant amnesty until "order and quiet had been restored in Berlin."

Geisberg Promised.

Geisberg, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, at the same time gave his word of honor that he would appeal to the Cabinet for their release as soon as Berlin was quiet.

The Executive Council claims that order has been re-established and demands that the promise be redeemed.

LETHBRIDGE WELCOMES RETURNING BATTERY

Lethbridge, April 1.—Lethbridge gave a rousing welcome to the 29th Battery, C. E. F., the remnants of which returned Monday afternoon. This was the first Lethbridge unit to return and a half-holiday was observed to mark the occasion.

REPORT SAYS ALLIES' CLAIMS ON GERMANY ARE \$39,850,000,000

Unofficial Dispatch From Paris Says Amount Above Germany's Ability to Pay and May Be Scaled Down to Less Than \$30,000,000,000

Toronto, April 1.—In a special cable to The Toronto Mail and Empire from Paris, Herbert Bayard Swope says:

"I am able to present a tabulated survey of the damages to the Allied countries caused by Germany, the figures comprising loss of plants and services enforced under acts of deportation and otherwise:

"France, \$15,000,000,000; Belgium, \$7,500,000,000; Great Britain, \$5,000,000,000; Russia, including Poland, \$7,000,000,000; Italy, \$1,500,000,000; Serbia, \$1,000,000,000; Roumania, \$1,000,000,000; United States, \$750,000,000; Greece, \$500,000,000; Czechoslovakia, \$500,000,000; Japan, \$250,000,000; Portugal, \$100,000,000; China, Siam, Armenia and others, about \$250,000,000. Total, \$39,850,000,000."

"This list will be subject to final verification, but it will furnish

the basis for the claims that will be presented to Germany when the draft of the treaty is undertaken. The distribution of the damages and in reparation will not necessarily be made on the basis of the claims, for Belgium certainly will be adjudged as entitled to recover a larger share of her losses than any other nation, with France and Serbia running next in the order of preference."

Over \$20,000,000,000.

"The total as thus presented is above the German capacity to pay and must be scaled down to a collectible sum, which is likely to fall between \$20,000,000,000 and \$30,000,000,000. It may be said with confidence that the figures as given will be submitted to the enemy as justly falling within the definition of reparations in the original armistice terms. It is important to note that the claims do not include pension payments as they are not considered as coming within the prescribed category."

BOLSHEVIKI WANT WOMEN TO FIGHT ESTHONIAN TROOPS

Paris, March 31.—All women between the ages of eighteen and thirty-five years living in the city of Pskov, Russia, were ordered on March 8 by the so-called Bolshevik Government in Esthonia to register with a view to doing military duty, says a report just received by the Esthonian Staff Headquarters.

The report adds that the Bolsheviks had 60,000 men on the Esthonian front on March 8, including 25,000 infantry with ninety-five cannon, thirty heavy field pieces of artillery and six armored trains. Twenty-five of their regiments were made up of Russians, six of Letts and four of various Esthonian elements.

AMERICANS WILL STAY IN SIBERIA

Expectation at Washington is Troops Will Not Withdraw With Canadians

Washington, April 1.—The withdrawal of the Canadian troops from Siberia, announced in the Canadian House of Commons yesterday by the Minister of Militia as imminent, does not imply also the return of the American expedition, it is said by War Department officials.

The question of early withdrawal of the American troops at Vladivostok was referred to by Secretary Baker during a conference with newspaper men a few days ago, and at that time the Secretary was emphatic that no such plans were under consideration.

A Paris Report.

Toronto, April 1.—A special cable to The Toronto Mail and Empire filed in Paris yesterday says:

"The withdrawal from Russia of the Allied and United States forces now operating on the Northern front is very likely to be the next step in the Peace Conference programme of effecting an understanding with the Bolsheviks. The subject was under discussion at the War Office here, where Premiers Lloyd George, Clemenceau and Orlando and President Wilson met with Marshal Foch and Generals Wilson and Bliss, who form the Supreme War Council's Military Advisory Committee."

This statement of the probable intention to withdraw the forces from Russia, while not based upon direct authority—for in these days just as little as possible is put out in that way—rests upon the opinions of those who are conversant with the mental attitude of the men who are trying to mould the destinies of the world. There is every indication to show that the withdrawal of the troops is being favored as part of a policy which has as its objective a working agreement with the Bolsheviks."

POSITION OF STEAMERS AND TROOP TRAINS

	For Victoria	Officers	Cadets	Other Rks.
S.S. Saturnia, due St. John, N.B., April 9.	1			49
S.S. Caronia, due Halifax, N.S., April 6.	1			24
Party from S.S. Minnekahda, left Reddit, Ont., at 12.30 yesterday.			1	54
Party from S.S. Empress of Britain left St. John at 12.30 a.m. April 1.				29
Party from S.S. Regina left Montreal at 2.30 a.m. April 1.				



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PEACE CONFERENCE IN CHINESE REPUBLIC

Peking, March 31.—(Associated Press).—A reopening of the peace conference between representatives of North and South China next week at Shanghai is reported. Reports of a separatist movement in Mongolia are discredited here.

Delegates representing the northern and southern sections of China met in Shanghai early this month in an effort to adjust the internal situation. The conference became deadlocked and adjourned till March 10.

MERCHANTS' BANK INCREASES CAPITAL

Montreal, April 1.—The Merchants' Bank has decided to increase its paid up capital by \$1,400,000, bringing it up to \$8,400,000. The stock will be issued on a pro rata basis.

Halifax, April 1.—A deputation from the Nova Scotia Federation of Miners will wait on the Government at Ottawa and discuss with it the feasibility of an embargo on United States coal.

DESIRE TO SEND WINES TO CANADA

French Organizations Request Ottawa to Reconsider Prohibition Regulations

Paris, April 1.—(Special Cable from Leon Trepanier).—Various French organizations, including the Canadian section of the Franco-American Committee, are presenting memorials to the Canadian Government earnestly requesting reconsideration of the regulation which prohibits the importation of light wines into Canada.

The dependence of France upon the exportation of her wine products is strongly urged, and the view also is put forward that the use of light wines has proved to be an antidote to alcoholism in European countries.

Universities. It is understood that the authorities of the medical faculty of the Sorbonne University are considering arrangements by which degrees granted in Canada will be equivalent to those of the Sorbonne. This will greatly assist Canadians who desire to complete their studies at this great university.

The French Government still maintains the restrictions on importations which have been strongly criticized. Le Matin, discussing this matter, expresses itself as follows: "The Minister of Reconstruction has devoted much attention to the boot and shoe industry. M. Louchet thinks that in order to bring the price of boots and shoes down to a decent figure, large quantities of boots and shoes from the United States and Canada must be imported without hesitation as was done before the war, the French output having always failed to meet the demands."

NO BUSINESS WITH FIRMS OF GERMANS

Melbourne, April 1.—(Canadian Press Dispatch from Reuters).—Two leading firms of Australia, manufacturers of chemicals, received a request from a New York German firm for a resumption of business. The request was promptly and emphatically refused.

GERMANY ALLOWED BY ALLIES TO TRADE

Berlin, March 31.—Via London, April 1.—Marshall Foch on Friday telegraphed to Gen. Nudant, his chief representative at Spa, saying that Germany was authorized to trade with firms in neutral countries, even if the firms are on the blacklist, provided that the Supreme Council and the blockade authorities approve. The Wolff Bureau, the semi-official news agency, protests against the condition, and demands that trade be entirely free.

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BRITISH ARMY BILL GETS THIRD READING

Passed by Commons; Churchill Explains Need of Substantial Forces

London, April 1.—The House of Commons passed the third reading of the Military Service Bill by a vote of 252 to sixty-four yesterday, after a strong criticism of the Government on the ground of wasteful expenditure and violation of an election pledge to abolish conscription.

Rt. Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill, Secretary of State for War, made a vigorous reply. He described the broad band of Europe, from the White Sea to the Caspian Sea, as smouldering through Bolshevik attacks, and declared that Germany and Austria were likely to slide into hopeless anarchy or form a military alliance with the Bolsheviks.

Replying to arguments that there was no national necessity for the bill, Mr. Churchill declared that Bolshevik armies were attacking along the whole front in Europe, and the various little states were in direct peril.

Could it be said that Great Britain had no interest in helping the world to come to a peaceful settlement? The moment the Allies divested themselves of their military forces, they would be powerless to exercise the slightest influence on the course of events all over Europe.

Distribution. The approximate distribution of troops, the Secretary said, would be as follows: In Great Britain, 175,000; in France, 120,000; Army of the Rhine, 264,000. In Italy and adjacent regions, Mr. Churchill added, there would be 10,000 men in order to adjust the differences which had arisen between Italy and the Jugo-Slavs, saying:

"We are keeping small forces of British troops there in many localities where the troops of no other nation would be welcome. We have been asked to do this in conjunction with our Allies, because it has been found that these troops can prevent trouble between the local populations merely by their presence during the period when we are trying to settle things."

In the middle East and in the Caucasus there were 75,000 men, and he hoped this number might be substantially reduced in the near future.

Russia. In Mesopotamia, Great Britain had 30,000 men.

After emphasizing the smallness of the number of troops actually in Russia, Mr. Churchill said that if Russia did not exist, the bill still would be necessary. In North Russia and Siberia there were something like 20,000 men out of a total of 55,000 British troops comprising the concentrated army of occupation in the various areas during this trying period. From these 55,000 men it would be necessary to deduct 208,000, who were not combatants in any sense.

"To secure peace and tranquility throughout the immense regions that have fallen into our hands during the war, and to secure fulfilment of a peace treaty, we must have in conjunction with our Allies, to influence a settlement in Europe," said Mr. Churchill, "the total forces we propose to keep at our disposal are thus approximately 650,000 men."

It was quite impossible to get the forces required by voluntary means before the peace treaty was finally and definitely ratified, he declared.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR PLANS TAKE FORM

London, April 1.—The completed draft of the convention creating a permanent organization for the promotion of labor interests and the international regulation of labor conditions consists of forty-one articles. The first chapter deals with the general outlines of the organization, which will consist of a general conference of representatives, with an international labor office.

Meetings of the general conference will be held at least once yearly. The conference will meet at the seat of the League of Nations, where the international labor office will be established as part of the League organization. A governing body of twenty-four members will control the labor office, and will be composed of twelve Government representatives, six members elected by the delegates to the conference, representing the employers, and six elected by the delegates representing the working people. The director of the labor office will be appointed by the governing body and will select his staff as far as possible from different nationalities and include a certain number of women. The labor office will act as a general clearing house for all labor information.

Ottawa, April 1.—Notice is given that William Arthur Ellis, of Toronto, will apply for a divorce from his wife, Violet D.

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"Tanlac has not only made me feel like a different man, but it has put me in shape to where I have actually gained eighteen pounds in about thirty days' time. I had been suffering with my stomach and going down hill for several months. My appetite went back on me and in an hour or so after eating, gas would form on my stomach and distress me terribly. When ever I had these gas attacks I would suffer awfully with heartburn and have a choking sensation. I also had intense pains across the small of my back and was hardly able to pick up anything and straighten up. My sleep failed to rest me and I would get up in the mornings feeling all tired out. I also had fearful headaches that almost made me faint at times. Then on top of my other ailments I had an attack of 'flu' that laid me up for three weeks and left me in a worse condition than ever."

"While wondering what I could get to straighten me out, my attention was called to a Tanlac testimonial that described my case exactly. I never paid any attention to an advertised medicine before, but this statement, coming from someone right in my own town, made me sit up and take notice. So I got me a bottle of Tanlac and had not quite finished taking it when I noticed a great change in my feelings. I have taken only three bottles now, but these three bottles have certainly done fine work for me. I can simply eat anything without the slightest trouble from it and my headaches have been entirely broken up. The pain has disappeared from my back and my nerves are so good that I can sleep like a log every night. I would recommend Tanlac to my best friend because I believe from what it has done for me that it is the best medicine out."

Tanlac is sold in Victoria by D. E. Campbell, druggist, corner Fort and Douglas. (Adv.)

TIMBER EXPORTING COMPANY FORMED

Vancouver, April 1.—That British Columbia lumbermen, particularly those operating on the coast, are to make a determined effort to capture a greater share of the world trade in lumber, is announced in the formation of the Associated Timber Exporting Company of British Columbia. Organization is now completed, and the company has received a charter which calls for a capitalization of \$200,000, divided among different manufacturers, but the operators for some time have been working in close touch with one another. It was the receipt of the big 70,000,000 feet order from Europe that crystallized the plan, which was put through last week.

J. D. McCormack, of the Canadian Western Lumber Co., is the president; J. O. Cameron, of the Cameron Lumber Co., is vice-president, and R. H. Alexander, secretary-treasurer. The executive is composed of E. C. Knight, of the Vancouver Lumber Co.; B. Mackenzie, of the King Lumber Co.; H. J. Macken, of the Canadian Western Lumber Co.; E. J. Palmer, of the Victoria Lumber Manufacturing Co.; F. R. Pendleton, of the Lumber Co.; and W. W. Harvey, of the Dominion Greenough Co. The head office will be in the Metropolitan Building, Vancouver.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY

Ottawa, April 1.—In the House of Commons yesterday afternoon Sir Thomas White tabled additional correspondence relating to the negotiations for the purchase of the Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific railways. The correspondence showed that the company suggested a willingness to accept \$1,163,000 rental without arbitration. Another suggestion was that the Government should guarantee an issue of \$3,000,000 of Grand Trunk notes to assist in meeting obligations falling due in October, 1918.

Sir Robert Borden, while promising consideration, said he would not hold out the slightest hope that either of the two alternatives would be accepted. After returning to Canada, Sir Robert advised the company that the Government could not guarantee the proposed note issue without the authority of Parliament, adding that the Government did not think it practicable to ask Parliament for this authority. He stated that there were strong objections in the Cabinet to any increase in the offer made by the Government for the two roads, and that it would be unwise, without the report of a Commission or a vote of Parliament, to pay a rental which would represent a capitalization of from \$80,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

CALGARY DELAYS SUMMER DECISION

Calgary, April 1.—Calgary Council took no action regarding daylight saving last night, the matter being scarcely mentioned. It is desired that the decision of the Railway Commission be known before action is taken.

ANTI-ENTENTE IDEA OF THE HUNGARIANS

Budapest, March 31.—Via London, April 1.—The Hungarian Government has sent a delegation to Berlin to conclude a treaty of alliance against the Entente Powers. German officers formerly belonging to Field-Marshal Mackensen's army, have arrived in Budapest to reorganize the Hungarian Army along German lines. The army now numbers 100,000 men. The French, British and Serbian Missions which were in Budapest when the Hungarian revolution broke out have arrived at Belgrade. They were imprisoned in their living quarters, but not sent to jail.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE JAPANESE

Senator Phelan Says Orientals Are Working to Japanize States

Sacramento, Cal., April 1.—The Japanese, "The Germans of the Orient," have carried forward their plans to "Japanize America" so far that it is necessary for California to start a counter-movement of propaganda, United States Senator James D. Phelan told the members of the Legislature here last night at a public meeting in the Assembly chamber.

The Senator urged enactment of more drastic laws, which he said the late Theodore Roosevelt had justified by the statement that Japan herself had erected barriers to protect herself against Chinese coolies.

League of Nations. "Talk to your returning troops," said Senator Phelan in contending that "almost any League of Nations is better than none." Only the academic laugh at wounds. Only those who have no wounds urge constitutional reasons and the traditions of the past as arguments against an international covenant to end war.

CONTROL OF EXPORT OF GOLD FROM CANADA

Ottawa, April 1.—Sir Thomas White has given notice of a resolution providing that the Governor-in-Council may by proclamation from time to time declare that the export of gold coin, gold bullion and fine gold bars from the Dominion is prohibited, except in such cases as may be deemed desirable by the Minister of Finance, and under licenses issued by him. The bill to be based upon this resolution when passed by Parliament will give the Minister of Finance more complete control of the export of gold than at present. It is provided that this change in the existing law will be in operation only for two years after the termination of the war.

DOMINION TRUST PAYMENT SOON

Vancouver, April 1.—As part of the preparation to announce a dividend in the Dominion Trust Liquidation, J. C. Gwynn, the new liquidator, yesterday obtained leave from Mr. Justice Murphy to make a final call on the shareholders of the Dominion Trust who owe unpaid balances. About 173 individuals are affected. The calls, which are for the payment of the unpaid premium of \$35 a share, aggregate about \$60,000.

The calls do not affect the shareholders of the old company, the Dominion Trust Company, Ltd., who did not transfer their shares and take out shares in the Dominion Trust Company. These shareholders are now engaged in appealing to the Supreme Court of Canada against the decision of Mr. Justice Murphy, since ratified by the Court of Appeal, ordering the liquidation of the Dominion Trust Company, Ltd. Until this appeal is decided, Mr. Gwynn can not proceed further against the shareholders of the old company.

\$5,000 RETURNED BY SIR C. FITZPATRICK

Ottawa, April 1.—Sir Thomas White intimated in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon that Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, former Chief Justice of Canada and Lieut.-Governor of Quebec, had sent him a cheque for \$5,000 in payment of two years' expenses given him for traveling costs to Great Britain when he did not attend the sittings of the Privy Council.

ARGENTINIAN TO TRY ATLANTIC FLIGHT

Buenos Ayres, April 1.—Captain Zuloaga, who crossed the Andes Mountains in a balloon in 1914, has asked the permission of the Argentine War Minister to attempt a flight across the Atlantic in an aeroplane. The captain is the Argentine Military Attache in Paris.

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CUSTOMS RECEIPTS SHOW FALLING OFF

Ottawa, April 1.—The customs receipts for the fiscal year ended yesterday show a decrease of \$3,209,343. The monthly statement issued by the Customs Department shows that the total receipts for the 1917-18 fiscal year amounted to \$159,681,046, while for the 1918-1919 year they are \$156,471,703. For the month of March alone the decrease was \$451,361, the total receipts for March being \$12,907,498, as against \$13,558,859 in March last year.

TCHITCHERIN'S IDEAS.

Paris, April 1.—Another wireless message sent by Tchitcherine, the Russian Bolshevik Foreign Minister, to Bela Kup, Foreign Minister in the new Hungarian Government, was intercepted by French Government wireless operators. The message was sent last Saturday, and dealt with the alleged spread of Bolshevism. It said: "The revolutionary movement certainly is gaining in America. American newspapers say the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan are especially impregnated with Bolshevism. A riot has taken place in Philadelphia which certainly must be attributed to Bolshevist influence."

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RETURNED SOLDIER KILLED IN VANCOUVER

John Thompson Jumped From
Automobile and Fell, Frac-
turing Skull

Vancouver, April 1.—John Thompson, aged twenty-seven, a returned soldier, was accidentally killed when he leaped from an automobile on Hastings Street East last night. The car is owned by the Canadian Army Service Corps and was driven by P. Cavanaugh, another veteran of the war.

Thompson was going to visit a young woman on Campbell Avenue and at the corner of Main and Hastings Streets asked Cavanaugh for a lift to that street. The driver, seeing that Thompson was a returned man, stopped and took him on as a passenger. When they got within a block or so of Campbell Avenue, Cavanaugh states he told Thompson he was near the destination and would stop for him.

At the corner of Hawkes Avenue, Thompson saw the girl he was to meet and without any word that he was going to jump out, opened the door and leaped into the street, with the result that he lost his footing and struck his head on one of the street car tracks, fracturing his skull. He died while on the way to a hospital.

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A. T. FRASER, OFFICIAL OF C. N. R., KILLED BY BIG SNOWSLIDE

Vancouver, April 1.—Alan T. Fraser, chief engineer for the West of the Canadian Northern Railway, was killed between 5 and 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon when buried by an avalanche of snow near Mount Robson, in British Columbia. He was due to arrive in Vancouver to-day and had intended to go on to Victoria with Mr. Hanna and Mr. McLeod on official business.

It is reported a snowslide had blocked the way of the train on which he was a passenger, and while he was overlooking the work of clearing away the track, a second slide, much larger than the first, came down the mountain side and engulfed eight or nine men, among whom was Mr. Fraser. It is also believed the foreman of the road gang was killed. The others were rescued, some badly injured.

Alan Fraser, though only forty-five years of age, was a veteran employee of the C. N. R. Recently he was moved from Edmonton and promoted to be chief engineer of the Western Division, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Two children, Florence, who is now fourteen, and Alan, ten, survive. Mrs. Fraser, who formerly was Miss Florence McConnell, of Ottawa, died several years ago.

Allan T. J. Williamson, local manager of the Bank of Ottawa, is a brother-in-law, Mrs. Williamson being a sister of Mrs. Fraser.

FRENCH PARLIAMENT AND LUXURIES TAX

Paris, April 1.—By a vote of 140 to 80, the Senate last night endorsed the Government's demand for the retention of the luxuries tax by eliminating from the budget bill an article inserted by the Chamber of Deputies to abolish it. Minister of Finance Klotz, who was present and who urged that the article be stricken out of the bill, went to the Chamber of Deputies later and asked that branch of the Parliament to reverse its action on the tax.

There were violent protests in the Chamber against the Senate's action. Deputies who advocated the suppression of the luxuries tax arguing that it was not wanted by the merchants and workmen. The session continued until late in the evening.

ARTILLERY DUELS IN NORTHERN RUSSIA

Movements of Bolsheviks South
of Odzorskaia May In-
dicate Attack

Archangel, March 31.—(Associated Press).—Bolshevik artillery yesterday subjected the Allied railway front and positions south of Odzorskaia to the heaviest bombardment in many weeks. In the meantime the enemy was moving considerable forces through the woods, indicating that an attack may follow soon.

A little garrison of four French soldiers in an outlying blockhouse guarding one of the Allied flanks near the front line yesterday repeatedly repulsed attacks by eighty Bolshevik infantrymen who had slipped through the woods and attempted a surprise.

The weather was mild and sunny, and an enemy observation balloon was up almost all day spotting the effect of shells. An enemy aeroplane dropped a bomb on a village north of Odzorskaia, but no damage resulted.

The Allied position along the front line is strong, with blockhouses guarding the flanks and snow trenches built up with log barricades, while there are ample dugouts to shelter all the Allied forces. The troops holding this front include considerable numbers of British, American, French and new Russian troops. The Allied artillery here probably is equal to that of the enemy.

West of Odzorskaia the Allied artillery still is shelling Bolsheviks Ozerka, and a number of explosions occurred in that village on Sunday.

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INDUSTRIAL FATIGUE INQUIRY IN CANADA

Ottawa, April 1.—The Research Council at a recent meeting dealt with the question of investigating the industrial fatigue in Canada on lines parallel to the investigation which is now being conducted in the United Kingdom for the British industries. It has appointed a committee for this purpose of which Professor McLeod, of the University of Toronto, will be chairman. The committee will include professors of the Manitoba University, Queen's, McGill and Dalhousie University, Major William Tait, a representative of labor, and of the Manufacturers' Association and a woman interested in women's labor. It will endeavor to obtain data to decide the maximum efficiency of the workers as determined by the number of hours of labor and the conditions affecting different industries.

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SUPPORT ASKED BY KUBAN REPUBLIC

Ciscaucasian People Wish Al-
lies to Give Aid Against
Bolshevism

Paris, April 1.—(Associated Press).—M. Ducavitch, former Premier of the Kuban Republic, formed immediately after the first revolution and consisting of seven states in the Ciscaucasian region, is in Paris with a delegation and has presented a memorandum to the Peace Conference asking Allied support to prevent the republic "being deprived of independence by Bolshevism."

M. Ducavitch stated to-day that the losses of the Kuban Cossacks in the fighting against the Bolsheviks during the past year has been four times as heavy as during the three years of war against Germany. He said one-third of the population of military age had been killed and that not enough men were left to cultivate the soil.

The memorandum appeals especially for the assistance of "the republic's great sister, the United States."

DAUMIG, SOCIALIST,
RELEASED IN BERLIN

Berlin, March 31.—Via London, April 1.—Ernest Daumig, an Independent Socialist, and president of the executive committee of the Soldiers' and Workmen's Council of Greater Berlin, who was arrested on Sunday on a suspicion that he had been a leader in the disturbances here in January, was released to-day after an examination. It is said that the prosecution of Daumig will continue.

POISON GAS SHELLS USED BY UKRAINIANS

Warsaw, March 31.—Via London, April 1.—The bombardment of Lemberg continues, the Ukrainian artillery firing poison gas shells into the city. At a conference held on March 27 between Allied delegates and representatives of the Polish and Ukrainian armies, the Ukrainians refused to enter into negotiations, while negotiations with the Poles were interrupted to give the Polish delegates time to consult their Government.

BOLSHEVIKI BEATEN BY ESTHONIANS

London, April 1.—An official communication issued yesterday by Estonian army headquarters said the Estonian troops on Sunday had captured the town of Pechory, in the Pskov sector, and the town of Hainish, on the eastern shore of the Gulf of Riga. Both battles were won after fighting.

This victory has released the important railroad between Hainish and Volnar on the An River.

SIBERIAN FURS.

London, April 1.—(Canadian Press Dispatch From Reuters).—Reuters learns that telegrams from Siberia report the following results for the fur season just ended:

In the Omsk Government, 10,000,000 squirrel skins, 10,000 skins each of red fox and blue fox, 1,000 sable skins, 30,000 ermine skins and 50,000 of hare.

DEATHS BY VIOLENCE.

Vancouver, April 1.—The year 1918 was, a bad one in respect to deaths from violence in Vancouver, there being fourteen automobile fatalities, eleven drownings and twenty-four other fatal accidents in the year, according to the annual report of Dr. Underhill, Medical Health Officer. There were twenty-one suicides in the year, an increase as compared with 1917, when there were fourteen.

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MEXICO'S DEBT.

For some time past, says Trade Commissioner Edwin F. Poley at Mexico City, the Department of Finance of the Mexican Government has been studying ways and means of renewing the payments of the interest and sinking fund of the national public debt, and it is now announced that the sub-secretary, in charge of that department, has left for the United States to discuss this matter with foreign bankers and creditors, with instructions to endeavor to arrange for the conversion of the public debt.

A JARLESS COLLISION.

"Has Tom had any accidents since he got his automobile?"
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THE GREAT CONTEST.

Lieut.-Col. Collishaw, the famous British Columbia aviator, left Halifax yesterday for England to bring back the aeroplane with which he will enter the trans-Atlantic flight contest. He will have to perfect his arrangements quickly, for already a machine, secretly built by the Sopwith Aviation Company, has reached St. John's, Newfoundland, with Harry G. Hawker, a celebrated British pilot, and Lieut.-Commander Mackenzie Grieve, R. N., as navigator, in preparation for an attempt which will be made at the earliest possible moment. The Sopwith people have placed the necessary deposit of £500 required for entry in the competition for the £10,000 prize offered by The London Daily Mail.

The United States naval air service also is accelerating preparations for the contest and for some time has been conducting tests with various classes of aircraft. The announcement is now made that an American machine will start from Newfoundland some time in May, or as soon as the fog disappears from the coast of that island.

Apparently it is the intention of the British, Canadian and American contestants to try the same route, namely, from Newfoundland to Ireland. The direct distance across the ocean between the two islands is 1,800 miles and the various aspirants expect to accomplish the feat in from sixteen to twenty hours. Hawker claims to have flown 900 miles, or half the distance, in nine hours and five minutes, using only a third of the petrol in the tanks of the machine. The chief obstacle to be overcome, however, is navigation which, it is recognized, will prove very formidable.

France, never behind in skill and initiative, thinks she knows a trick worth two of that of either of her allies and already one of her aviators has started to try it out. A week ago Lieut. Fontan left Paris for Cape Dakar, Senegambia, on the West Coast of Africa, from where he will attempt to fly across the ocean to Pernambuco, Brazil. He will have an advantage over his northern rivals in distance, which is 168 miles less than that between Newfoundland and Ireland, and also in the probable fact that climatic conditions will enable him to make his attempt ahead of them.

The air departments of the various Governments are keenly interested in the contest and are giving their competitors every assistance. We do not know whether the Dominion Government has been induced to give its support to Colonel Collishaw, but it certainly ought to do so. Perhaps the colonel, who was in Ottawa on his way east, has been able to convince the Dominion authorities that they should show as much enterprise and imagination in regard to this contest as is shown by the Governments of the other countries. Colonel Collishaw, of course, can rely upon the assistance of the British Air Ministry, but if under those auspices he should win the prize it will be a distinctly British, not a Canadian, victory, notwithstanding the origin of the victor.

SOUTH WALES MINERS OBJECT.

While the miners' delegates to the Triple Alliance conferences in London agreed to the Sankey Report as a whole, the underground toilers of South Wales oppose it. They have just decided to advise the Miners' Federation to reject the Government's terms of wages and working conditions. That is to say, a seven-hour day for two years, a six-hour day thereafter, dependent upon the economic condition of the country, as well as an increase in wages and an effective voice in the direction of coal mines, are not sufficient to satisfy the colliery workers.

What effect the attitude of the South Wales men will have on the other mining districts of England is problematical. In the Welsh mining areas is a preponderance of power and usually a greater discontent—many times justified in pre-war days. In viewing the matter from the miners' standpoint it is as well to take into consideration the revelations of the Coal Commission's inquiry for, after all, the seat of the trouble is to be found in a widespread suspicion that the mine owners have made enormous profits, and this suspicion buttresses the demand for nationalization.

For instance, it was shown that owners' profits during the war had advanced from twenty-five cents to eighty-seven cents per ton, and these profits are exclusive of royalties, which absorb \$30,000,000 annually. The fact that the owners get only five per cent. of the excess margin by no means weakens the miners' argument. Take another example. In November and December, 1917, 675 collieries showed, in some cases, profits of \$1.50 per ton, and in other cases losses to the same extent. Nevertheless, in 1916 profits, including royalties, reached \$219,000,000, or three times the average for the five pre-war years.

In the hearings by the Commission it also was disclosed that in June, 1918, sixty cents per ton was added to the pit-head price to help losing collieries. This simply meant relief to the smaller number, but it also meant a corresponding increase to those collieries continually creating new records. The net result over all was a profit for the first nine months of last year of \$195,000,000—less royalties—or eighty-seven cents per ton on production. The moral is not difficult to discover, and here

is the miners' argument for nationalization, or substantial voice in direction. We read into the disclosures that, because the mines were not under single ownership, by which profits would, of course, be pooled, the consumer has been made to pay heavily to the profitable collieries for the sake of the less profitable. So, resentful as the attitude of the general public may be towards a nation-wide tie-up of industry, the revelations now made public are not calculated to alienate public sympathy from the miners.

Nevertheless, in the face of the Sankey recommendations, which very nearly meet the original demands of the men, and the commendably peaceful decision of the railwaymen's delegates, a good case is made out in favor of a ballot before the use of the strike weapon. For, when such an issue drops to the non-economic and the non-industrial, disaster to both capital and labor is not far distant.

ENDS AN OLD GRIEVANCE.

With the operation from to-day of the 1918 statute amending the Coal Mines Regulation Act of British Columbia a long-standing grievance grudgingly borne by the surface workers around mines comes to an end. Henceforward all those employed above ground, but in direct connection with the operation of coal mines, metalliferous mines, smelters and coke ovens, will work eight hours each working day.

Some years ago the practice of an eight-hour day for coal miners underground went into effect and similar conditions are now extended by the 1918 amending Act to those working in metalliferous mines. So that from to-day both underground and above surface workers will be on an identical plane so far as hours of labor are concerned.

We recall that many representations have been made to the Governments of the day by the workers now to be benefited, who asserted that the nature of their task warranted treatment equal to that secured by the underground men. The latter's working day commences and ends at the time of leaving and returning to daylight. The surface men, of whom there are over 5,000, always have contrasted their longer hours of toil and the fact that their work commences as soon as they reach the mine or smelter, with the bank to bank computation.

Although there are hazards to the worker around the mine and smelter, they cannot compare with those underground. Nevertheless, the Government's acceptance of the daylight workers' theory will assist harmonious working and the operator should be very little, if any, out of pocket by the change.

CITY CLERK RESIGNS.

The resignation of Mr. W. J. Dowler as City Clerk marks the end of an official career distinguished by ability, faithfulness and exceptional length of service. Mr. Dowler entered upon his duties in 1888 and thus has served continuously in the one position for thirty-one years. During that period he has given the city the best that was in him, serving each council of the long procession which passed before him with honesty and diligence. His wide knowledge of procedure and intellectual attainments have been always at the disposal of the city without reservation, regardless of the particular situation to be met or the problem to be solved. He will be greatly missed from the municipal service.

If British Columbia's financial condition during the last three or four years has been the subject of adverse comment on this and on the other side of the Atlantic, the effect created has happily not become permanent. In a recent issue of The Financial Post, British Columbia's treasury outlook has prompted congratulatory notice, not only in respect of its immediate prospects, but also in regard to the methods which have brought about the satisfactory change. Twelve months hence should see a complete rehabilitation of provincial credit.

ROOTING OUT THE GRAFTERS.

(St. John Telegraph.)

While our men from the farms and the factories and the shops were engaged in fighting the Hun, some men in New Brunswick were piling up great sums of money which they described as "party funds," which were secured, directly or indirectly, from the public treasury or from money which should have gone into public enterprises. All of the soldier's enemies were not in front of him; his home land was being looted by some enemies he left behind, and not a few of them continued to profess the utmost solicitude for the men at the front while they labored busily to accumulate and distribute funds for political corruption. Discovered in the course of time in spite of their elaborate plans for concealment, these men have the effrontery to say that what they and their friends did was no business of the public. It is going to be made plain presently that it was very much the business of the public, and that exposure was the only thing needed to spur public interest to the point where a cure for such conditions will be possible. At the moment the official attitude of the local Conservative party remains in doubt. Is it going to nominate for office any of the men described by The Montreal Gazette as having come out of the investigation "with considerable mud on their party garments?" When the Legislature is called together again there must be a show of hands on this question. The Government and the Opposition will both have to go on record and show their attitude towards those politicians who have figured extensively in the evidence heard by royal commissions. Every member of the House will have to stand up and be counted before the eyes of the country. When the election comes—and there is as yet no indication as to the date—the issue before the province will be a very plain one.

WHAT'S YOUR RULE FOR RELAXING?

(The Philadelphia Public Ledger.)

How do you "relax?" Perhaps you don't. Recipes differ among those who seek to slacken the pace for a restful interlude.

David Belasco, in the midst of directing rehearsals, will seek out some darkened corner of the theatre and lie down flat on his back with his arms spread out. That is the Japanese theory of diminishing the spinal tension. A former vice-president of the Pennsylvania Railroad used to close his eyes and transfer his thoughts to his feet and his hands, saying, "Right hand, left hand; right foot, left foot" over and over to himself.

A great London editor closes his eyes and spreads out his hands on his desk as though playing the piano.

Major Kuttler, the famous West Point expert, believes in stretching on the tiptoes, full length, till the fingertips tingle.

There are few better forms of exercise than chopping wood. Sam Scoville informs me. Old Man Gladstone made that pastime famous, and in his other favorite avocation, riding the bicycle, he has had many imitators.

RETURNS WEARING V. C. OF HUSBAND

(Continued from page 1)

points and he said it was now merely a question of how much the Dominion Government was prepared to spend in the erection of suitable buildings. Colonel Wilson will proceed to Ottawa on official business and will return to Europe after a brief stay in Canada.

Lieut.-Col. Mayhew.

Another staff officer who returned on the Canada was Lieut.-Col. D. J. Mayhew, of Owen Sound, Ont., who spent the last two years attached to the general staff in London as Assistant Director of Supplies.

Another officer on the Canada was Lieut. C. B. Mackenzie, only son of D. D. Mackenzie, Opposition Leader in the Dominion House of Commons. Several former prisoners of war returned on the Canada. For the most part they are of the 15th Battalion and are proceeding to Toronto.

British Columbia Officers.

Among the officers who arrived on the Canada were the following: Lieuts. B. B. Patton, Fort George, and R. G. Tait, Kaledon, B. C.; Capt. T. F. O'Kelly, Vancouver; Major J. C. Macdonald, Victoria; Capt. M. C. Sawyers, Vancouver; Capt. J. H. Jackson, Chilliwack; Lieut. W. J. Kolosoff, Retreat Cove, B. C.; Lieuts. J. Freeman, Princeton, B. C.; V. H. Manning, Vancouver; V. R. Vigor, Vancouver; A. G. Black, Vancouver, and F. W. Lamb, Vancouver.

GEN. SMART ADDS TO HIS CHARGES OF BAD OVERSEAS CANADIAN ARMY CONTROL

(Continued from page 1)

A Letter.

"With regard to the intrigue against General Currie, I would suggest that Sir Thomas White ask Sir Edward Kemp for a copy of a letter written to him by General Currie in the month of November, 1918, protesting against 'dastardly and outrageous' statements that were being circulated in England by a very senior officer—statements that were prejudicial to good order and military discipline, and likely to create unrest. Copies of that letter were sent to the various Canadian areas ostensibly with a view to locating the culprit. Copies of that letter having been circulated in England, the Minister should have no objection to producing a copy of it in the House of Commons, so that the public may judge for itself whether that particular charge is 'founded on facts' or not.

"I have received many letters from far distant places approving my stand in exposing this matter and offering to furnish me with ample evidence, if required, to substantiate my statements."

VARIETY OF CAUSES OF PEACE DELAY

(Continued from page 1)

Blockade.

London, April 1.—Regarding a report published in the morning papers here that the blockade of the Central Powers had been raised generally last week, the Blockade Department of the Foreign Office explains that the blockade was lifted from German-Austria, but not Hungary. In the case of the Adriatic, the Allies raised the blockade some time ago, but the Italian naval blockade remained in force until a few days ago.

As far as Germany is concerned, it is added, the blockade has been changed to the extent of sending food supplies there under Allied control.

Root's Suggestions.

Paris, April 1.—Commenting on the six amendments to the covenant of the League of Nations suggested by Elihu Root, it was said to-day by one of the legal specialists associated with the American Peace Conference delegation that he believed all the amendments were acceptable to the American delegation.

Wilson Busy.

Paris, April 1.—President Wilson was again in attendance to-day at the meeting of the Council of Four dealing with peace problems. Between the sessions of the Council the President received the Bishop of Spalato, representing the Jugo-Slav interests in the Balkan coast controversy. In the forenoon the President had a conference with Joseph W. Daniels, the Secretary of the United States Navy, shortly before the latter's departure for Italy.

Hughes Spoke.

Paris, April 1.—In a witty speech last night at a banquet given by the Press Club to the Peace Conference delegates from the British Dominions, Mr. Hughes, Prime Minister of Australia, criticized the slow methods of the Peace Conference. He insisted upon the necessity of making a peace which would not allow Germany ever again to do what she did in 1914.

BIG SEIZURE OF LIQUOR IN TORONTO

Toronto, April 1.—Upwards of \$20,000 worth of liquor, including 111 cases of all kinds of whiskey and 121 gallons of alcohol, was seized by the police last night at the factory of Jacob Kramow, a dealer in scrap iron, metals, rubbers, second-hand bags and burlap. The capture probably was the largest ever made in Toronto, and with it were arrested five men, all of whom face charges of breaches of the Ontario Temperance Act.

HOGS REACH \$20.10 AT CHICAGO YARDS

Chicago, April 1.—Hog prices passed the \$20 mark in an upward bound to-day, being quoted at \$20.10 per hundred at the stockyards. The highest war-time price was \$21 last fall.

During the winter prices dropped slightly under \$18, but have been advancing since the Government's minimum price guarantee was taken off nearly a month ago. At the United States Bureau of Markets this recent advance was ascribed to the heavy demand coupled with the fact that face charges of hogs was largely shipped out during the winter, leaving the supply comparatively light until the new run of hogs begins in May or June.

CUSTOMS FIGURES.

Regina, April 1.—The Regina customs receipts for the fiscal year ended yesterday were \$144,183, a decrease of \$400,000 from the preceding year.

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A CORRECTION.

To the Editor.—The omission of the word "never" from the first sentence of my letter in yesterday's Times made me say the reverse of what I intended. The sentence should have been, "It was never seriously suggested that the councilors' indemnity should be raised," etc., etc.

W. J. CAVE,
Councillor Ward 3, Esquimalt.

SOLDIERS AND THE LAND.

To the Editor.—I would like to endorse the remarks made by "Returned Soldier" in his letter, "Soldiers and the Land."

There is a lot of dissatisfaction, and I think as a great many men do not wish to take up land, that an even better plan than the one suggested by "Returned Soldier"—that of offering every man (returned) a sum of money—would be to let the Government give every returned man his choice of a sum of money or land. Then, as your correspondent said in his letter, a man can make some use of the money—start his own or something at which he can earn a good living. Those who desired to take up land, could do so, and it seems to me that this plan would be much simpler than allowing a number of committees to wrestle with the problem.

W. REDFERN,
Returned Sailor.

A FACTOR IN THE STRUGGLE FOR TRUE DEMOCRACY.

To the Editor.—I notice Archbishop du Verney's letter on True Democracy in your issue of yesterday. With its contents I am in hearty agreement. I too am constantly fighting the fatal delusion of the workers. That is all we see in British Columbia, for the capitalists who "develop" or "exploit" us live far away.

But all accounts coming to us from the great centres of capital, London, New York and Paris, tell us that one of the reactions of the armistice has been an amazing and vulgar display of wealth. I am not thinking of labor news, but such as appears in all our current literature. Yesterday I had a letter from a friend who teaches in one of England's most exclusive public schools, and who is naturally a conservative of the conservatives. To my surprise he too was complaining bitterly of the arrogance of war profiteers.

It seems to me that we have here a madness as dangerous as that of the revolutionary. The two things go together. We have not this aspect of the present crisis brought home to us in this Province, so to a preacher it seems like beating the air to reprove it. Why preach against sinners who never hear us? Why rebuke the vulgar display of London and Paris?

I have felt this difficulty in my own work. But we must remember that the proletarian movement is international, and remarkably well-informed. In our activity as healers of social ills we too must take in all factors of the case, even if some of them are located on the other side of the earth. For myself I have come to the conclusion that it is futile to draw attention to the follies of Labor extremists without a clear, formal recognition of the folly of Capitalist extremists. We shall never get rid of the one without the other.

ERNEST J. BOWDEN,
Unitarian Minister,
569 Boundary Road, March 20, 1919.

RAFFLES FORBIDDEN.

Vancouver, April 1.—Now that the war is well over, no more raffles are to be permitted in the city of Vancouver, the Police Commission decided yesterday. The raffles that are now under way may be concluded without prosecution, but any new ones undertaken will result in prosecutions, it was decided.

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CO-OPERATIVE STORES SOON IN CHICAGO

Chicago, April 1.—The recently formed alliance between the Non-Partisan League and the Chicago Labor Party will make itself apparent in Chicago soon by the appearance of co-operative stores. It was announced to-day by Morton L. Johnson, secretary of the Labor Party.

Mr. Johnson said there would be one store in each of the city's thirty-five wards and that farm products would be brought to them direct from North Dakota, where the Non-Partisan League is in political control and has put many of its theories into practice. The announcement said that the stores also would serve as labor union headquarters, from which strikes would be directed as necessary.

PRAIRIE PROVINCES AND EASTERN INVESTORS

Toronto, April 1.—Conditions in Western Canada appear to be improving from the standpoint of the eastern investor, according to J. H. Gundy, of Wood, Gundy & Company, who has

just returned from a visit to the prairie provinces as a member of a delegation representing Eastern financial interests. Mr. Gundy expressed appreciation of the disposition on the part of the Western Governments to consider the point of view of investors and reasonably to meet these points of view. "I think," he said, "that the western people appreciate that it is to their interest to make the West attractive to capital, and to do everything reasonable within their power to give capital confidence, and I think there is a general tendency throughout the West toward more conservative methods, and that is a result of experience and of increasing wealth there."

INTO UNITED STATES.

Washington, April 1.—Restrictions on importation of ferro-manganese and spiegeleisen were removed to-day by the United States War Trade Board and these commodities may be brought to the United States from Great Britain and the other parts of the British Empire, France, Italy, Belgium and Japan, and from their possessions or colonies under general import licenses.

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—First Floor, View

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Children's Rompers

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—Children's, Second Floor



A Special Offering for Wednesday Morning in Oxfords and Pumps at, a Pair, \$5.65

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—Mantle Dept., First Floor, Broad

Infants' Short Skirts of White Flannelette Special 50c

You must see these to know how really pretty they are. Well made in every detail, they are splendid value at the low price asked.

—Second Floor, Douglas

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—Second Floor, Douglas

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A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGILY'S APRIL FOOL

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(By Howard R. Garis.)

"You want to be very careful to-day, Uncle Wiggily," said Nurse Jane Fussy Wuzzy, as the bunny rabbit gentleman gave his pink nose an extra twinkle one morning, before starting out from his hollow stump bungalow.

"Extra careful? Why?" asked Mr. Longears. "Has the fuzzy fox been around?"

"Not that I know of."

"Has the Pipsisewah or Skoezicks been here since the March wind blew them away?"

"Then why should I be careful?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"Because it's the first of April," replied Nurse Jane, "and some of the animal children will be sure to play funny April fool tricks or jokes on you."

"Oh, I shall like that!" laughed the bunny. "I'll put on an old silk hat, instead of my best one, so if they want to throw lilylops at it there will be no harm done." And so he started out.

It was April Fool's Day and Uncle Wiggily had not hoped far from his hollow stump bungalow before Johnnie Bushytail, one of the squirrel boys, cried:

"Oh, Uncle Wiggily! Look at your hat!"

Uncle Wiggily took it off, of course, thinking there might be a dent in it, and Johnnie cried:

"April Fool!"

"Oh, sure enough," laughed the bunny. "I ought to have remembered." Then he went on a little farther, and Jimmie Wibblewobble, the duck boy, quacked:

"Ho, Uncle Wiggily! What's on your back?"

"Why, the very idea! Is anything on my back?" as he squirmed and twisted and tried to look around.

"Your coat is on your back! Ha! Ha! April Fool!" quacked the laughing duck boy.

"Well, well! Another trick!" said Uncle Wiggily. And those were not the only ones played on him that day. But he didn't seem to mind, and when, a little later, he met the two Bushytail squirrel brothers, with Sammie Little-tail, the rabbit; Billy Wagtail, the goat; Jackie and Peetle Bow Wow, the dogs, and some of the other animal chaps, they all cried:

"Oh, Uncle Wiggily, don't you want to come with us?"

"Where are you going?" asked the bunny.

"We're going to plan an April Fool joke trick on Grandfather Goosey Gander," said Sammie. "He is so old now, he can't run after us and catch us, so we're going to put a basket full of corn on his doorstep."

"That will be nice!" said Uncle Wiggily. "I call that a good April Fool joke."

"Oh, but we're not really going to let him have the corn!" quacked Jimmie, the duck.

"What are you going to do?" asked Uncle Wiggily.

"Oh, there's going to be a string tied to the basket of corn," said Jimmie.

"Bow Wow. And when we ring Grandpa Goosey's bell, and he comes to the door to pick up the corn, we'll pull it away and April Fool him!"

"Hum! Oh, yes! I like!" said Uncle Wiggily, thoughtful like. "Well, I know a better joke than that."

"Do you! Oh, show us how to do it!" cried Billy Bushytail.

"I will. Come on," said Uncle Wiggily. "We'll play this trick on the poor old mouse lady who lives all alone down by the brook."

"Oh, that'll be more fun than playing it on Grandpa Goosey," said Sammie. "Won't the old mouse lady be surprised when we yank the basket away?"

"Um! Maybe she will," spoke Uncle Wiggily, sort of uncertain like. "Well,

put some cheese and crackers, and a bit of apple pie and some bread and butter, and things like that in the basket for the poor mouse lady."

"Oh, won't she be surprised!" quacked Jimmie.

So Uncle Wiggily filled a basket full of good things, and he and the animal boys went very softly and put it on the doorstep of the poor old mouse lady after dark, when she couldn't see them.

"Now, I'll ring the bell," said Billy Wagtail, the goat, "and you pull the string and jerk the basket away when she comes to the door, Sammie."

"I will," said the rabbit boy. But when the old mouse lady opened the door, and stooped to pick up the basket full of good things, and when Sammie pulled the string—

Why—why the basket wasn't yanked away at all. It just stayed right there, and the mouse lady picked it up, and she squeaked out:

"Oh, some one has been so kind to me! I was very hungry!"

For a moment the hidden animal boys said nothing. Then Sammie spoke:

"Why, that was a funny April Fool trick. Some one cut the string and I couldn't pull the basket away. That was a funny trick!" he said.

"Wasn't it?" laughed Uncle Wiggily. And he never said another word. But when the animal boys went home, Johnnie Bushytail chattered:

"I'm kinder glad, after all, that we didn't yank the basket away from the mouse lady."

"So'm I," spoke his brother.

And if the rice pudding doesn't take all the rains out of the apple pie to give to the gold fish, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and the April shower.

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All particulars about the Diary Competition, along with illustrations and details in regard to the Voice-ophones, are found on pages 16 and 17 of Dr. Chase's Almanac.

This almanac has been mailed to practically every home in Canada, but if for any reason you have not received your copy write to Edmanston, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto, and they will send you one by return mail. These prizes are well worth trying for, and there is no time to lose if you are to get a fair start in the competition.

The nurse came in from a visit to the Zoo, carrying the pride of the family—a young gentleman some fourteen months old. It was at once apparent that something unusual had occurred.

"Oh, ma'am," she said, "George spoke this afternoon for the first time."

"Really! What did he say?"

"Why, I was showing him the animals, and he made me stop before the cage of monkeys, and he clapped his hands and said, 'Papa! papa!'"

In Woman's Domain

Social Personal

Mrs. James Drake, of Vancouver, is here for a few days, the eldest of her son, S. J. Drake, of Crescent Road.

Miss Victoria Gibson, of Nanaimo, who has been visiting in Vancouver as the guest of Mrs. Jarvis Newbury, has arrived in the city en route for her home.

Paul Clyde, formerly of The Times editorial staff, who left for California some days ago, has entered the University of California at Berkeley, to take a course in Economics.

Heaton's orchestra has been engaged by the Women's Auxiliary to the Army and Navy Veterans of Canada to furnish the music at their dance to be held in the Alexandra Club on Friday evening next.

Major W. L. Ford, of Vancouver, who is well-known in Victoria, left on Sunday night for Quebec en route for England, where he will take up military duties in connection with the transportation of troops to Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Richardson, of Chipman, New Brunswick, who have been the guests of Hon. Dr. and Mrs. J. H. King for the past two weeks have left for Vancouver, where they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crandell for a few days before leaving for the east.

Under the auspices of the North and South Sanich Agricultural Society a cinderella dance will be held at the hall at Saanichton on April 9, from 8.30 till 12. Heaton's orchestra has been engaged for the occasion. The committee in charge of the arrangements have arranged for an interurban car to be held till midnight.

Miss Rothnie arrived from Kamloops during the week-end and will enter upon a course of nursing training at the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital. She is the eldest daughter of the late Capt. George H. Rothnie, formerly Chief of Police of Kamloops, who was killed in action in France while serving with the 102nd Battalion. Prior to her departure from Kamloops Miss Rothnie was present with a jewel case by a number of her friends.

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FUR TRADE WILL BE LIMITED DUE TO SHORTAGE OF PELTS

Receipts of furs in the St. Louis and other markets have decreased during the past week and are expected to decline noticeably from now on, says the market report of Furs Brothers & Co., St. Louis. Arrivals also, especially from the Southern districts, are showing pronounced signs of spring. The mild winter weather all over the States and Canada, has caused animals to shed their winter coats sooner than usual and the daily offerings, therefore, of seasonable stocks will be quite limited. First class good quality furs will command surprisingly satisfactory prices the balance of the season.

There has been a decided improvement in prices recently over January for most Northern furs, and the available supply of goods from these sections is quite small. The anticipated heavy imports of foreign furs have fallen far short of what was looked for by the trade, and contrary to general expectations, have been advancing in price since the January auction.

The market in furs continues strong and the daily offerings are being actively competed for. Staples are all selling very well and seasonable stocks of these goods are expected to go even higher.

Red foxes and good quality wolves are in strong demand.

Silver foxes, especially fresh skins, are selling at better prices than have prevailed for this article for a number of years past. In fact, foxes of all kinds are wanted.

Marten and beaver are also wanted at advanced prices.

Fisher and Russian sables are in particular demand.

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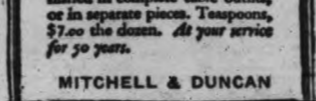
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Russian squirrels, flying squirrels, Australian opossums, marmosets and practically all Chinese and Japanese goods, holdings of which in this country are limited, are likewise commanding very good prices.

With the advent of spring, business operations that were quiet because of winter weather, will undoubtedly become much more active, producing sympathetic improvement in practically all lines. This should make itself felt and find expression in an increased demand for most commodities. The fur trade will enjoy its share of this prosperity and with such a future and a continuance of the present demand, the Furs Brothers feel warranted in predicting to shippers unusually good results in their spring auction.

**TWENTY-NINE YEARS
IN INDIAN WORK**

Col. Clara A. Case, of Salvation Army, Had Thrilling Experiences

After twenty-nine years spent in India ministering to the natives, Col. Clara A. Case, of the Salvation Army, is in Victoria on her way to her old home at Bristol, England, for a much-needed rest.

During the course of an interview in Seattle she said: "Of all my work in India the most trying experience was during the great Gujarati famine, when thousands of persons died for want of food. It was a situation that could not have been met at that time, 1897, by any Government. Every Government agency did its utmost, to relieve the situation, and distress and our army was able to do good work, too."

Saved 1,500 Children.

"During that terrible time we picked up some 1,500 children and fed them and kept them until they were able to take care of themselves. Many of those children I have since seen grow to manhood and womanhood, until they are now married and the parents of children in much better circumstances than they were."

"It was a fruitful year that, for, with a brazen, sultry sky and the sun beating down continuously there was not a drop of rain."

Just before starting for America on her present trip, which is her first visit to the United States, Col. Case was in command of 600 native villages, 116 village schools, a large medical institution and four branch hospitals.

Devil Worshipers.

During her long residence in India she has lived among the natives, following their customs and eating their food. For the past twelve years in command of the Salvation Army work in Travancore province, Col. Case has been working among a people who for the most part devil-worshippers, which has made it more difficult to convert them to Christianity.

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GRATEFUL PATIENT PRAISES DOCTORS.

AT WILLIAM HEAD

Shipping Owner Has Good Cause to Remember Quarantine Station

BACK FROM DEATH'S DOOR AFTER ILLNESS

Paying a warm tribute to the conduct of the William Head Quarantine Station, where he was nursed back to life after a critical illness, J. Curthw Sanders, Managing Director of the Stewart, Sanders Shipping Company, Limited, is now out of quarantine, and registered with his family at the Empress Hotel.

How Illness Came.

Mr. Sanders left Yokohama on January 15 on the Kasama Maru. On the voyage across the Pacific first a child, and then the other members of the family developed Spanish influenza. "We came early and late, giving care, as the temperature of our cabins were kept too low, and that the circumstances were conducive to influenza," he said to The Times last evening. "The consequence was that by the time we reached quarantine on this side on January 25 I was critically ill with pneumonia, and with some reluctance I was carried off the vessel on a stretcher. Reluctant, I say, because of the usual experience of quarantine depots in many ports. However, in spite of every complication which followed, I had unremitting attention from the Medical Superintendent, Dr. H. Rundle Nelson, and also Dr. Cox. They came early and late, giving care, as might be expected only at the highest grade of hospital."

Runs Like Clock Work.

"Based on actual medical care, and on personal observation during my convalescent stage, I do not hesitate to say that the station is the best conducted we have seen—and we travel all over the world—and that everything runs like clock work. The organization could not be better, nor the medical skill afforded patients. It should also be said that the co-operation between members of the staff is excellent."

"One thing more should be added. It is not usual to find a medical man act also as a business man, but Dr. Nelson brings both attributes to his work."

From One Who Knows.

The value of this testimonial to the efficiency of the William Head Quarantine Station may be appreciated by the statement that Mr. Sanders' firm is the leading ship-owning concern in South Africa, with headquarters in Durban, and with a subsidiary company in New York. It was to New York where he was routed when illness overtook him. His interests include the Gwyder and Motherland Shipping Companies operating out of St. John's Newfoundland, in the trans-Atlantic trade.

His firm has done a good deal and hopes to do more towards developing improved trade relations between Canada and South Africa, and he states in that connection he has received every assistance from the Canadian Trade Commissioner in South Africa. He is particularly anxious to improve lumber shipments between British Columbia and the Union.

FOR FEEBLE OLD PEOPLE

John Devitt Recommends Vinol to Create Strength and Vitality.

Marlton, N.J.—"I am 55 years of age and after a severe sickness was in a weak, rundown condition. Vinol has built me up and made me strong, so now I feel real well again, and I can recommend it to others for such conditions."

The reason Vinol was so successful in Mr. Devitt's case is because it contains beef and cod liver peptones, iron and manganese peptones and glycerophosphates, the very elements needed to build up a weakened, rundown system, make rich, red blood and create strength. It is perfectly wonderful what it does for old people.

**EDUCATION SHOULD
BE MORE PRACTICAL**

And Aim at Preparation for Democratic Citizenship, Says Reconstruction Committee

That the primary necessity of any reconstruction movement in educational matters is that all education be made less formal and better adapted to the needs of life; that it should have more consciously for its aim the preparation for democratic citizenship, and that it should conserve the physical and intellectual strength of the nation in service to establish the broader conceptions of the national life, were among the points emphasized by the Sub-Committee on Education of the Victoria Reconstruction Group at a recent meeting.

A Practical Education.

Miss Helen Stewart is the chairman of that committee, which comprises Mrs. H. W. Graves, Dr. E. J. Deboyan and Mrs. J. W. de la Farris. Their report embraced a number of the principles underlying educational reconstruction in England, United States and Canada. In each of these countries it has been realized that the better adaptation of the educational system to the needs of life is essential.

To achieve this aim there must be a closer co-ordination of the various branches of education; co-operation of teachers and principals as to courses and individual pupils; and the establishment of an advisory committee to consider the individual needs of children.

An extension of provision for secondary education is recommended. Such an extension should include full equipment for vocational training after the age of fifteen or sixteen; the pooling of resources to provide specialized equipment, and the providing of bursaries or scholarships on a larger scale for higher education, in suggesting that a less formal and mechanical curriculum be used in the schools, the committee quote from the Fisher Education Bill of England one of whose clauses says "there should be no vocational specialization in elementary grades, but an attempt to acquaint pupils so far as may be with the capacities and ideals of mankind, as expressed in literature and art; with its achievements and ambitions as recorded in history, and with the nature and laws of the world as interpreted by science, philosophy and religion."

To Raise Age For Leaving.

That the age for leaving school should be raised to the end of the fifteenth year, and that attendance at secondary or continuation classes for at least eight hours per week for the end of the eighteenth year, is strongly recommended. Steps for the promotion of physical development, to include such ramifications as medical inspection and school nursing, day nurseries where necessary, and the establishment of schools—or classes for training mothers in pre-natal and infant care, are advocated.

Among other matters put forward in this intensely interesting and comprehensive report are educational extension, to include closer co-ordination between night and day schools, special work with foreigners, more constant use of the school plant; demanding a higher standard of training for teachers with salaries commensurate, and a closer co-operation of teachers, trustees and officials concerned in education.

**IF YOUR EARS RING
WITH HEAD NOISES**

If you have roaring, buzzing noises in your ears, are getting hard of hearing and fear Catarrhal Deafness, go to your druggist and get one ounce of Farmit (double strength), and add to it a quarter of a pint of hot water and a little honey. Take one tablespoonful four times a day.

This will often bring quick relief from the distressing head noises. Clogged nostrils should open, breathing become easy and the mucus stop dropping into the throat. It is easy to prepare, costs little and is pleasant to take. Anyone who has Catarrhal trouble of the ears, is hard of hearing or has head noises, should give this prescription a trial.

HE CONFESSED.

Mother (coming from pantry)—Robert, did you pick all the white meat off this chicken?

Robert—Well, ma, I made a clean breast of it, I did—Chicago News.

Husband—Yes, my dear, that's a man-o'-war.

Wife—How splendid! And what is that little one just in front?

Husband—"Oh, that's only a tug."

Wife—"Oh, yes, of course—tug-of-war! I've heard of 'em!"

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NECKWEAR in its various forms plays an all-important part in the correct dressing of the woman of to-day. Many of the smartest suits are now worn with vests, a feature which will increase in favor as the season advances. With this in view, it is only natural this store should be displaying the newest types of vests for those who wish to make an early selection. They are offered in a wide choice of styles and materials, those mostly favored being pique, Kumsi-kumsa, plain and figured silks, silk jersey and fine muslins—\$2.00 to \$10.50.

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Women will take great interest in looking over these beautiful pieces of Neckwear. The selection is unusually large and includes the very newest types of circular collar in addition to the roll, square and other popular styles. Silks, georgette crepe, crepe de chine, muslin, filet and other lares are among the materials from which they are developed—\$1.25 to \$3.50.

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DESERTER GIVEN TWO YEARS' IMPRISONMENT

Edward Walton, an American, Was Absent Over Two Years; Apprehended in Bellingham

Edward A. Walton, an American, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment in the Police Court this morning by Magistrate Jay, on a charge of deserting from the 158th Battalion in November, 1916.

During the case several interesting points in law were advanced by Frank Higgins, K. C., counsel for the accused, but the magistrate did not uphold him. Mr. Higgins contended that the prosecution should not be proceeded with, as under an English Act no alien could enlist in the army without the consent of the Crown through the Secretary of State, and as Walton had not become a British subject, he was not a soldier and could not be dealt with.

Magistrate Jay pointed out that thousands of Americans had crossed over and joined the Canadian forces, to which Mr. Higgins replied that they were enlisted illegally. The counsel was proceeding to cite some Act of George II, when the magistrate remarked that it was too distant a case for consideration.

Sergeant Ives, of the Canadian Military Police, gave evidence that he saw the accused in Bellingham and asked him if he would come to Victoria voluntarily or whether it would be necessary to take proceedings, whereupon Walton said that he would take the former course, as he was anxious to get through with the matter. Before a notary public Walton swore to a confession that he was a deserter. When arriving at Vancouver the accused made the statement to Ives that he knew every little corner of Vancouver. The sergeant at once informed him that if he tried to escape he would get him and intimated that he had a revolver.

Fought Case Strangely. Walton, on giving evidence, said that he enlisted in Vancouver and got no permission from the Secretary of State to do so. While he was in Vernon Camp he received word that his mother was very ill and was making application for a pass was refused. He took leave. On returning he found that his unit had proceeded overseas. He proceeded to Bellingham, Walton says that he was forced across the border and would be shot if he resisted, yet he admitted telling the immigration authorities at the border that he was a Canadian citizen.

Mr. Higgins drew attention to a section of the Militia Act of 1906 whereby it was necessary to obtain the permission of the commanding officer, captain of the company or adjutant, before an arrest could be made, and this had not been done. But this contention was not upheld by the magistrate in view of subsequent acts.

As a last resort, Mr. Higgins mentioned the dire straits of Walton's family. His wife and four children were without means of support. Magistrate Jay replied that the man was a deserter. He had taken oath of allegiance to the King and had drawn pay and separation allowances. He was entitled to no more consideration than other men whose cases had not been so serious.

FORMER VICTORIAN ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

Richard Penketh, Victim of Automobile Accident at Oakland on March 25

Old-time residents will learn with regret of the death of Richard Penketh, a former well-known resident of the city, who was instantly killed in an automobile accident at Oakland, California, on the evening of March 25. The late Mr. Penketh was born in Manchester, England, about twenty-five years ago, and came out to America when nearly forty years of age. After residing in Chicago for a year or two, he decided to come West and continued his journey to Victoria settling here about three years ago. He was a member of the Boilermakers' Union until his retirement from active life seven years ago, and was also a member of the Sons of St. George Order. Prior to leaving for Oakland, Cal., four years ago he resided at 227 Piggard Street, where his son, James H., now resides.

The late Mr. Penketh is survived by his widow, a stepson, Harry Harkins, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Myrtle McIntosh in Oakland, three sons, James H. and Richard, Jr., of Victoria, and G. W. of Bremerton, Wash., and two daughters, Mrs. J. E. Roberts, of Anchorage, Alaska, and Mrs. J. H. Caskey, of Fairbanks, Alaska. The remains will be brought to Victoria for burial and are expected to arrive in the city on Thursday. Funeral service will be held at the Sands Funeral Chapel on Saturday at 2.30, Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick officiating. Interment will be made at Ross Bay.

Fined for Speeding.—Reginald Sargison was fined \$10 in the Police Court this morning for exceeding the speed limit.

Returning Veterans.—Lieut. Wilson, Lance-Corporal, and Pte. Bailey returned from the afternoon boat to-day.

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WILL PRESS FORWARD ON ISLAND BRANCHES

Messrs. Hanna, MacLeod and Oliver Will Meet the Mayor To-day

As a result of three hours conference between Premier Oliver, D. B. Hanna, President of the Board of the Canadian National Railways, and M. H. MacLeod, Vice-President of the Board this morning, it is definitely understood by all parties that construction of the national line on Vancouver Island will be proceeded with as rapidly as possible.

The governing factor in respect of the work which was commenced on September 9 last, is material. In other words, unless it is possible to get additional steel in the interim, work on the island for the time being will be gone on with to the extent of the supply of steel loaned by the Provincial Government. All of which means that it will at least be possible to complete the semi-circular stretch which is to link Victoria with the Nitinat section. Beyond that, for the moment, it is a little problematical.

Not Delay for Steel. It had been thought that the bridge over the Koksilah River would hinder continuous work. This morning's interview, however, has disposed of any misgivings on that score. Both Mr. Hanna and Mr. MacLeod are in accord with a decision to construct a wooden bridge at this point on account of the scarcity of steel. This will mean work for the timbermen as well as more distribution of capital in the neighborhood of Victoria.

Work on Reserve. One of the important topics of the conference was that of the Victoria terminals and Premier Oliver makes the announcement that the visiting officials of the National road have made up their minds to construct a roundhouse, workshops and freight sheds north of Point Ellice bridge during the coming summer. It was also definitely decided that the terminal site should be surveyed at once.

Johnson Street Bridge. Any more than to discuss it from a purely provincial point of view, the Johnson Street bridge question was waived until this afternoon when Premier Oliver will accompany Messrs. Hanna and MacLeod, together with His Worship the Mayor and other city officials over the ground. Mr. Oliver took occasion this morning to express the view that the Canadian National Railway should contribute a fair share of the construction cost, but details were not gone into—a more definite pronouncement being suggested after fuller deliberations this afternoon.

The V. and S. Line. The Victoria-Sidney line came in for review and the visiting officials declared a willingness to take into consideration the possibility of effecting some service to the people of Sidney in the event of a cessation of the present schedule through the somewhat unhappy financial state of the road. It was generally conceded, however, that this is more a matter for the Board of Railway Commissioners to deal with. Premier Oliver, nevertheless, noted the suggestion with satisfaction on account of the importance of maintaining a service between this city and Sidney.

Mainland Matters. In connection with Mainland matters, Mr. Hanna reminded the Premier that tenders had already been called for in respect of the Kamloops-Vernon-Kelowna-Lumby branch, which is to take the line from the city of Kamloops to the big feeding section of the Okanagan Valley. It was stated that as soon as the date of expiry for tenders has passed, that the contract would be awarded and work commenced forthwith. Under the contemplated arrangement the work will be attacked by the successful contractor at various convenient points on the right-of-way, thus insuring an equal distribution of labor.

Coast Section. Mr. Hanna informed the Premier that both he and Mr. MacLeod would go to Vancouver on Thursday of this week and there meet the mayors of that city and of New Westminster for the purpose of discussing the company's contemplated branch lines in the coast region. Certain changes have been suggested in connection with the works yet to be carried out at New Westminster, Steveston and Lulu Island, and it is in connection with the possible change of plan that the President and Vice-President of the road will go over the ground personally and come to a decision.

Premier Satisfied. To a representative of The Times, Premier Oliver declared that the interview was a highly satisfactory one, both visiting that Vancouver Island and the Province of British Columbia generally gets proper treatment at the hands of the National line. This afternoon will be taken up by a visit to and a discussion of the Johnson Street bridge site, when the details will be fully gone into from the municipal, provincial and national point of view.

Employing Soldiers. "The Canadian National Railway is doing work in every province in the Dominion from Sydney in the east, to Victoria in the west," said Mr. Hanna, the Board's Chairman. This improvement programme is being carried out across Canada on such a large scale that Mr. Hanna expressed his firm belief that there would be a shortage of labor for this particular kind of work by the middle of June or even May. In this way, it was hoped to find one solution towards the employment of returned men provided that they were willing to undertake this work, which Mr. Hanna believed they would, especially soldiers who had been carrying on railroad and other similar construction work overseas.

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Clancy appeared in the Police Court this morning on a charge of presenting the prescriptions which he knew to have been forged, and was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment with hard labor.

When called upon to plead Clancy said that he knew nothing about the matter. He had a severe attack of neuralgia, and got drunk to try and get rid of it, and knew nothing more. Dr. Grant, one of the witnesses, stated that Clancy had visited him, and that he had prescribed a quart of rum. Four prescriptions with the doctor's name were shown to him. He denied that it was his signature. The prescription which witness had given accused was not among them.

R. G. Ker, who is employed in the liquor vendor's department, stated that the accused visited him twice on the morning of March 26, and had received two bottles of rye whisky. In the afternoon, Clancy returned with a friend. At the time accused was slightly flushed, and looked as though he had been drinking. Clancy handed him one prescription, and his friend the other, and they received two more bottles of rye whisky. Ker said that it struck him as peculiar that the man should pay so many visits in one day, but there was such a rush on in the afternoon that he did not have an opportunity to question Clancy. After closing Ker took up the matter with T. H. Horne, the vendor, who in turn interviewed Dr. Grant, and found the prescriptions to have been forged.

British Campaigners.—Members of the British Campaigners' Association are asked to assemble at the C. P. R. dock, Belleville Street, at 2.45 o'clock to meet the 2nd C. M. R. men returning to Victoria to-morrow.

Charge Dismissed.—A charge against J. H. Fry, of Chetumal, of ill-treating some cows which were left in the stalls at the city market, over night, was dismissed by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court this morning.

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8.30 P.M.

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and other works, with a CHORUS OF ONE HUNDRED VOICES, supported by an ORCHESTRA of twenty-five performers.

ASSISTING ARTISTS:

Miss Eva Hart, Soprano
Conductor, Mr. Gideon Hicks

Mr. M. L. Albertovitch Rengger, Baritone
Accompanist, Miss Lotus Griffiths

Tickets, 75c

Band Concert A Success.—Although the changing of the time to the summer schedule created a misunderstanding in the hour of the concert, a large audience was well rewarded by the excellent concert given by Rowlands' band at Pantages Theatre on Sunday evening. The majority of the audience was particularly pleased with the excerpts from standard overtures, and the always popular Verdi's "Il Trovatore," in which the solos were beautifully played by D. Rife, cornet, and A. Prescott, euphonium. Master J. Funtin, the boy soprano, was called on to sing four solos. W. Gey was particularly pleasing in his tenor solos. His version of "Mother Machree" brought him a well-earned encore. Mrs. Robinson acted as accompanist for several of the soloists.

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This will be your final opportunity to commence your evening studies AT THE BEGINNING of our course. If you are partially trained or totally untrained in the branch of business you wish to take up, NOW is your opportunity. This evening our new Night School term commences and the following studies will be begun by newly enrolled pupils:

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NEW DEPUTY SEES BETTER LIVESTOCK

DR. Warnock is Hopeful as Result of Educational Bull Sale

Dr. David Warnock, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, has already taken up the reins of office at the Parliament Buildings, and has recently returned from the interior after a flying trip to the bull sale at Kamloops.

In discussing this particular event this morning, Dr. Warnock was extremely hopeful that its educational as well as its practical features will go far in assisting to improve the quality of pure bred stock in this Province.

Very considerable satisfaction was expressed throughout the cattle country by the excellent advice given to the stock raisers in attendance at the sale by Professor Day, in his capacity of judge.

The Professor is the secretary of the Shorthorn Breeders' Association of Canada, and formerly a Professor of Animal Husbandry at the Guelph

Agricultural College, and in order to assist B. C. stockmen he took pains to explain during the course of his judging the reason for making each individual award. He took the exhibitors on a sort of educational excursion round the points of the animals, and to many who were comparative strangers to beef types, he elucidated the hitherto hidden mystery which often prevents successful range industry.

In the opinion of Dr. Warnock the event at Kamloops is the best means of keeping the value of the business from the sale of bulls in this Province. Hitherto, Alberta has been more or less depended upon for the supply of bulls to British Columbia stockmen. With a closer interchange, coupled with a better understanding of beef types, he sees considerable monetary advantage to the cattle man and to the industry in this Province as a whole.

Gorge Branch Red Cross.—A meeting of the Gorge Branch Red Cross will be held to-night at the Presbyterian Church, Tillamook Road, at 8 o'clock to receive the secretary-treasurer's report of the year's business and to transact other items of business.

Fine Financial Showing.—The latest report of the Dominion Securities Corporation Limited showing Canadian Government, Municipal and Corporation bond issues discloses the splendid financial standing of the City of Victoria. All of her bond issues have been on a more profitable basis than almost every other city in the Dominion.

CITY'S FINANCES IN HEALTHY STATE

Relief Act Resulted in Collection of Arrears to Amount of \$250,000

Victoria's financial position as well as all disbursements and returns is clearly shown in the Balance Sheet last night by J. L. Raymer, City Comptroller. The record shows an increase in collections in some departments and various items of revenue stood higher than in the previous year. The following is in part the report handed to the Council by the Comptroller:

Three hundred thousand dollars was invested in the last Dominion Loan on account of the sinking fund. The total investment in these bonds is now \$340,000 of which \$50,000 (5 per cent. notes) is repayable in August, 1919.

Authority was given for taxpayers to pay their taxes with Victory Bonds and \$15,750 was received in this manner, the bonds being placed in the Local Improvement sinking fund.

The Legislature at its 1918 session, passed the "City of Victoria Relief Act, No. 2," which inter alia provided that arrears of taxes might be paid in (ten) annual instalments, or paid in full with a rebate both on principal and interest. Under the provisions of the Act arrears of taxes to the amount of \$253,771.75 were paid in full, and the sum of \$152,277.25, including interest, was paid on the ten-year plan; 69.12 per cent. of the current year's taxes were paid during 1918. This is a better showing than had been made in any year since the commencement of the war.

Other items of revenue made an applicable increase over 1917 as the following figures show:

	1917.	1918.
Water rates	\$185,280.23	\$199,617.37
Cemetery fees	5,405.50	9,175.25
Police Court fines	8,000.45	11,359.90
Road tax	6,374.00	7,022.00

Trades licenses show a slight falling off, the collection for 1917 being \$26,271.49, and for 1918, \$23,687.02. It must, however, be borne in mind that receipts from these sources are but a small fraction of the revenue required, the balance being raised from land. It must be evident, even to the most casual observer that the burden on land is more than it can bear, and that a redistribution of the incidence of taxation must be made. With this end in view representations have been made to the Provincial Government, and the Premier has promised that the whole matter will be looked into during 1919, particularly with reference to the relationship between Provincial and Municipal taxation, and it is hoped that some scheme will be evolved that will relieve the land in municipalities of a portion of the onerous burden that it now carries.

The City of Victoria Relief Act also dealt with the much vexed question of Local Improvement assessments, and created a commission of three members, with very wide powers, to investigate and advocate on these matters. The Commissioners have taken into consideration practically every Local Improvement By-law but had not, at the end of the year, completed their labors. There is no doubt that the adjustments made by them will have a favorable effect on future collections.

Another Commission was also appointed to revise the assessment roll which was finally fixed at \$45,967,210 on the land. This assessment is to stand for the years 1918 and 1919.

Treasury certificates to the amount of \$1,000,000 fell due on the 1st of March, 1918, and their payment was provided for by a new issue of certificates falling due on the 1st of March, 1928, and which were sold at a rate to net the purchaser 7.40 per cent. Ten and fifty-year serial debentures to the amount of \$950,174.81 were sold during the year. Through the summer the price was on a 7 per cent. basis, at the end of the year this had improved to 6 per cent., and at the end of January, 1919, a sale of \$300,000 was made at a price to yield the investor 5.90 per cent., being the best rate obtained for some long time past. The proceeds of these debentures were devoted to the retirement of treasury certificates and bills due on the 1st of February, 1919. They were sold as follows:

Victoria	\$135,574.81
Vancouver	234,000.00
Toronto	454,000.00
Portland, Oregon	89,600.00
Morris, Illinois	25,000.00

Debentures amounting to \$96,380.65 were retired at due date and \$27,440.50 purchased in the open market at a cost of \$27,281.20. Serial bonds to the amount of \$85,850.00 matured in 1918 and were duly retired. The bonded debt now stands at \$18,750,724.26, of which amount \$493,327.67 falls due in 1919 and a further amount of \$85,850 will be retired under the serial form plan.

Application has been made to the Legislature to confirm agreements whereby debentures issued but not sold for school purposes amounting to \$66,000, and in aid of the Provincial Jubilee Hospital amounting to \$225,000 may be cancelled, thus saving the annual levy of \$6,927.79 for sinking fund purposes. Authority is also being asked to transfer to the sinking fund account, sundry bank balances representing unexpended amount of moneys borrowed for works that have been completed.

FRIENDLY HELP SOCIETY

March Donations Include Handsome Sum From Capt. Carpenter, V. C., R. N.

Nine members were present at the meeting of the Friendly Help Association this morning, including Mrs. Edwards, a representative of Christ Church Cathedral, who was welcomed as a member and worker. Mrs. Pilgrim was appointed a delegate to attend the conference of the Victoria Reconstruction Group (Women's Department) to be held on April 9.

The funds of the Society were very materially increased by the generous donation given by Captain Alfred Carpenter, V. C., R. N., and thirty-eight families representing about 137 persons were assisted in March.

The Friendly Help Association acknowledged with grateful thanks, the following donations received in March: Cash from Capt. Alfred Carpenter, V. C., R. N., Camosun Chapter, I. O. D. E., A Friend, Mrs. Pilgrim, Arthur C. Mrs. Stock, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Dawson,

James Adam, Victoria City Dairy Co., W. Walker & Son, J. E. Painter & Son, and G. D. Christie.

Clothing from Mrs. Armond, Mrs. Harold Robertson, Mrs. Eddison, Lady McBride, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Kirpatrick, Mrs. Leigh, Mrs. Gilbert, Fraser, Mrs. Wadmore, Mrs. Fred Ham, Mrs. Cookson, Mrs. McTavish, Metehosin, Mrs. P. W. Thomas, Lady Wolley, Mrs. A. Veysey Lang, Miss Lawson.

Shoes from Mr. Dunford, Lady McBride and A. Sincere Friend.

New garments from The Hawthorne Circle of King's Daughters, Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Robbins.

from Mrs. Thain.

Child's bed from Mrs. H. Robertson and bed and springs from Miss Thom.

NATIVE DAUGHTER'S IMPORTANT POSITION

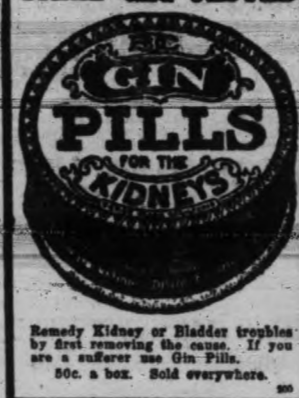
Miss Mabel A. Cameron is Secretary to Minimum Wage Board

The announcement is made this morning by J. D. McNiven, Deputy Minister of Labor and Chairman of the Minimum Wage Board, to the effect that Miss Mabel A. Cameron, daughter of Alderman W. G. Cameron, of this city, has been appointed secretary to the Minimum Wage Board.

Secretarial work is by no means new to Miss Cameron, who, by the way, is a native daughter of Victoria. Following a period as a teacher at the South Park School, she undertook the clerical work of Miss Agnes Deans Cameron during her mission to Great Britain in 1910-11 for the Dominion Government. It was during this trip in the Old Land with her aunt that Miss Cameron was enabled to absorb a comprehensive view of industrial conditions, a knowledge which peculiarly helps her for the position to which she has now been appointed.

In England and Scotland practically all the more important towns and industrial centres were visited, and lectures were delivered by the Dominion's representative on behalf of immigration. On the completion of Miss Cameron's work in the Old Country her niece returned to Victoria and entered a local legal office, where she has been engaged for the past seven years, and

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which she has now relinquished to take up her position at the Parliament Buildings.

COUNCIL TO APPOINT A NEW CITY CLERK

E. W. Bradley Will Probably Get Position; Temporary Appointment Friday

At present Victoria is without a City Clerk as a result of the resignation of W. J. Dowler. The appointment at a special meeting of the Council on Friday night of E. W. Bradley, Assistant City Clerk, to the vacant post is foreshadowed in a notice of motion posted to-day by Alderman Sangster. Alderman Sangster's motion will be to the effect that Mr. Bradley be appointed Acting-City Clerk, but it is believed that on account of his long service and thorough knowledge of the work he will receive the appointment permanently.

In discussing the appointment of a new City Clerk, made necessary in the view of Mr. Dowler's absence, Mayor Porter stated that he was in no position to speak definitely. The matter had been considered among some of the Aldermen, he said, and personally he favored the principle of promotion among the officials.

Mr. Bradley's service to the City has been long and faithful. Coming into the City Hall nearly twenty-eight years ago he has done a great part of the work of the City Clerk's Department with regularity and efficiency. A great deal of his time during the last two years has been occupied in connection with the cultivation of vacant lots, and as secretary to committees. His unfailing courtesy, promptness and painstaking work have made him one of the most popular of the city officials.

PATIENTS REMOVED TO WILKINSON ROAD

"Palatial" Jail Will Take Care of Essondale Patients

In keeping with the arrangements made for the commencement of the Province's fiscal year, to-day marks the transference of a number of criminal insane patients from the provincial institution at Essondale to that section of the Wilkinson Road jail prepared for their reception. One wing in the local quarters will be utilized for the moment and for the purposes of administration the existing facilities will be pressed into service again.

Hon. Dr. MacLean announces this morning that at the present time there are some 1,500 patients of this class at Essondale, and unless the additional accommodation at Wilkinson Road had been allotted, very considerable expense would have been involved in remodeling a wing of the Essondale establishment. Under the present plan a disused Government Building has been utilized at an outlay of less than \$5,000.

So that while the Wilkinson Road jail has not fulfilled the promise to justify its construction as a jail proper, at an expense to the people of the Province of \$360,000, the ratepayers will have the satisfaction of knowing that it will now be able to go some of the way to lighten its present burden.

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This famous reliever of rheumatic aches, soreness, stiffness, painful sprains, neuralgic pains, and most other external twinges that humanity suffers from, enjoys its great sales because it practically never fails to bring speedy, comforting relief.

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30c, 60c, \$1.20

Roof Fire Epidemic.—An epidemic of roof fires which hit the city last month caused damage amounting to about \$200. Of the fifteen alarms answered by the Fire Department, seven were for roof fires. Last night the firemen spent some time extinguishing a beach fire at the corner of Hollywood Crescent and McDonald Street, while a roof fire at 845 Pandora Street received attention.

TWENTY-EIGHT INJURED.

Fort Huron, Mich., April 1.—Twenty-eight persons were injured, none of them seriously, when an interurban car on the line of the Detroit United Railways left the track on a sharp curve near here and rolled down an embankment. Those injured are suffering chiefly from bruises.

RETURNING TO STATES.

New York, April 1.—The Italian consul-general here announced to-day that he had received an official message from Rome stating that the 332nd Infantry, composed largely of draft men from Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, is on its way home.



A Strong Letter of Commendation

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"About ten years ago, at the age of 37, I had a stroke, as a result of which I have been partially paralyzed ever since.

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"About seven years ago I began to use Dr. Chase's

Nerve Food, and have used it at intervals ever since. It is only by using this restorative treatment that I have been able to attend to my large and growing business, and for this reason I feel that the least I can do is to recommend the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food to others who suffer from nervous derangements.

"In fact, it has afforded me a great deal of pleasure to recommend the use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food to my friends, and to observe the way in which they have been benefited by its use. As a result of the large number of cases I have observed, as well as my own remarkable experience, I feel that I can speak with some authority."

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is known and used in the best homes in the land, and is recognized by physicians and laymen alike as a most excellent means of enriching the blood and building up the nervous system. You can make no mistake in giving it a trial when occasion demands. 50 cents a box, 6 for \$2.75, all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Ltd., Toronto. Every box of the genuine bears the portrait and signature of A. W. Chase, M.D.

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Your Fire Insurance is costing too much. See the Independent Agency. Canadian, British, French, American Companies. Duck & Johnson.

Skates Hollow Ground, at Wilson's Repair Shop, 612 Cormorant.

Garden Tools—Ordinary and the out of the ordinary variety. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

Dance at Cadboro Bay Hotel every Tuesday evening. Heaton's Orchestra.

No Ship Carpenter Can Work without tools, and the good ship carpenter use Campbell's tools. Slicks, \$5; Adzes, \$5.50; Ship Axes, \$5.50, at R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

Egg-Crecks With Covers—1 gall, 45c; 2 gall, 80c; 3 gall, \$1.20; 4 gall, \$1.40; 5 gall, \$1.75; 6 gall, \$2.00; Water Glass, 25c pint. R. A. Brown & Co., 1302 Douglas St.

Troublesome Mowers cured at the Lawn Mower Hospital, 612 Cormorant Street.

Lawn Mowers Ground—Keen razor-like edge. Jack, 805 Yates Street. Phone 5719.

Appointments Made.—The appointment of George McIlroy as City Assessor, James L. Raymer as Purchasing Agent and F. M. Preston as Building Inspector were confirmed by the City Council last night.

Bank Clearings for March.—The clearings for the month of March were \$2,244,065, as compared with \$2,267,730 in the month of March, 1918.

Specializing in Business.—At the luncheon of the Rotary Club on Thursday J. F. Scott will give the first of a series of talks by club members on "Specializing in Business." H. E. Halverson will give a short talk on school gardens.

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HEAT DEVELOPS AT COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor Bridle's Letters to the Press Causes Much Argument

The atmosphere was exceedingly troubled during the first stages of last night's meeting of the Esquimalt Council, the cause of the disturbance being Councillor Bridle's recent agitation against the giving out of "distorted" news items to the press. The upshot of the whole matter, after a considerable display of heat, was that a resolution was passed that no member of the Council should give out any news for publication respecting council meetings unless authorized so to do by the Council.

Clerk Pullen started the ball rolling by requesting that he be relieved of the responsibility of giving out news. Councillor Bridle had written to the newspapers claiming that the news was distorted to suit the purposes of some of the councillors. As Mr. Pullen was authorized to attend to this duty, he assumed that Mr. Bridle was hitting at him, or at least it would appear to create such a reflection. The Council quickly passed the necessary resolution.

Sharp Exchanges.—Councillor Bridle was suddenly struck with the idea that possibly the passing of these resolutions might deprive him of continuing his letters to the press, but Reeve Coles assured him that there was nothing to prevent him from making a laughing stock of the district. "Some of the things are untrue. Your letter and your actions are only making a laughing stock of the country, and I do not think you can have the interests of your district very much at heart," said the Reeve. Nevertheless Councillor Bridle hotly replied that he would answer the communications that had followed his own in the press.

The fires of wrath had hardly died down when Councillor Wise set things going again by asking if it was right that councillors should talk politics in the vestibule of a street car? Councillor Bridle took it that this shaft was aimed at him, and retaliated by asserting that some councillors talked politics even at their work. Councillor Mesher, for instance. The latter jumped to his feet and exclaimed: "I do not know what Councillor Bridle bases that statement, and it is untrue."

Engineer Indignant.—Clerk Pullen proceeded to the next item of correspondence, which turned out to be a letter from the municipal engineer complaining of the disparaging remarks made about him by Councillor Bridle in one of his letters to the press. Sparks began to fly once more, and Councillor Cave warned the member who had caused all the trouble: "You have got to watch what you do in future, you do not know what you are talking about." During the rest of the meeting there was only an occasional little excitement.

There seemed to be a strong desire on the part of some of the councillors to refer some matters requiring a decision to the people by way of referendum, such as the question of resurvey of some of the streets, the new garbage system and the question of road. These problems were laid over for two weeks for discussion, but not before the Reeve and Councillor Bridle had another tilt over the question of surfacing roads.

Councillor Bridle thought a certain surfacing would not be sufficient to stand heavy traffic on Esquimalt Road. Reeve Coles remarked that a man engaged in the business of running a street car could hardly be an expert on such matters. It was suggested that a test strip might be done outside the municipal hall, where the traffic was heaviest. Councillor Bridle said: "Where did you say the heaviest traffic was? Nonsense!"

Mr. Fawcett wanted exemption from sewer taxation, as it was claimed that he had been informed by municipal officials that as his property was using a septic tank, and was too low to get sewer connection he would not have to pay for the main passing his property. As the Council's solicitor advised some time ago that such properties must pay the assessment Mr. Fawcett cannot be relieved of the payment.

An application for an increase in wages was granted Superintendent of Works Ricketts to the extent of \$15 a month. Other minor matters were disposed of by the Council.

Referred to Committee.—A request for a grant from the Victorian Order of Nurses was referred to the Finance Committee by the City Council last night.

TIMBER WOLVES' PADRE

Regimental Colors and King's Colors Will Be in Parade

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"All ranks thank Victoria and C.M.R. Association for reception invitation. Second C. M. R. colors and band. Party includes seventeen officers and 223 of other ranks. Engineers two officers, and forty-two other ranks. Artillery, fifteen other ranks. Various, five."

Band to Lead.—The Second C. M. R. veterans will be led by their own band of eighteen pieces direct from the firing line when they make their triumphal march through the streets of Victoria to-morrow and in addition the 2nd C. M. R. colors and the colors presented by the King to the battalion before the men left England will also figure in the parade. There will be features of the parade which will bring back fond memories of the day the men left Victoria, and there is every indication that the welcome home of the men will be marked by the same outburst of feeling.

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TO-DAY'S AMUSEMENTS

Royal Victoria—Presentation of *Bairnsfather* play, "The Better 'Ole."

Pantages—Vaudeville.

Dominion—Ralph Graves and Constance Binney in "Sporting Life" and Roscoe Arbuckle in "Camping Out."

Variety—John Mason and Leah Baird in "Moral Suicide" and Houdini in "The Master Mystery."

Columbia—Harry Carey in "Three Mounted Men."

Romano—Rita Jolivet in "Lest We Forget."

DOMINION

The bugaboo that Friday is an unlucky day, does not alarm Maurice Tournour, producer of "Sporting Life," the great Paramount-Artcraft special picture which is exhibited at the Dominion Theatre this week. The picture was begun by Mr. Tournour on Friday, its biggest scenes were photographed on Friday, it was finished on Friday and when it was presented for the first time in public at the Rivoli Theatre, New York, on September 15, 1918, it proved to be one of the biggest successes the screen has ever known. There are many thrilling incidents in the story of this superb adaptation of

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ARENA

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Skating As Usual Thursday Evening

the great Drury Lane melodrama which has held the stage for more than twenty years. Chief among these are a prize fight in the National Sporting Club of London and a reproduction of Derby day at Epsom. The story has to do with John, Earl of Woodstock, who battles against odds to regain his lost financial position by backing two great sporting events, and whose efforts are nearly balked by an invincible and unscrupulous enemy. The various roles are excellently portrayed by prominent screen artists.

VARIETY

"Moral Suicide," a strong convincing photodrama, was shown to popular houses at the Variety yesterday. The intention of the author to create a story with a great moral purpose underlying the revelation of life's temptations and trials has been thoroughly realized, and the vivid portrayals of each outstanding character result in a series of intensely powerful pictures that do not fail to grip the onlooker. John Mason, in the principal role, presents a most finished delineation of a perfectly successful man—wealth, social standing and domestic security are the prizes allotted to him as victor in the great game of life. He possesses a vulnerable spot, though, and it is here that he is attacked, defeated and hurled headlong down the ladder of fame, till he descends to the utmost depths of degradation and despair.

COLUMBIA

Harry Carey, Universals first bet as a Western star, has a ranch near the studio, at Universal City, where his pictures are made. With a provident eye to business he chose the situation as though he were to stage pictures there. Now the "location" of famous though few who see Carey's numerous plays know that many of the scenes are shot on his own range. There are several choice examples in "Three Mounted Men," his latest special, which opened the Columbia yesterday.

An added attraction on the current programme at the Columbia is the seventh episode of the new Vitaphone serial, "The Woman in the Web."

ROMANO

The story of "Lest We Forget," the current attraction at the Romano, concerns Rita Heriot, a favorite opera singer, who is betrothed to Henry Winslow, a young American millionaire. Belgium is invaded and her home is in the path of the Huns. A telephone operator before her voice developed, Rita replaces the operator at the little village and is captured by the Germans. She escapes after many perils and makes her way to America to find that Henry has enlisted with the Army of France to avenge her supposed death. Baron von Bergen, a German conspirator, renews his unwelcome attentions, and when he learns that she is about to go aboard on the Lusitania, seeks to dissuade her, thereby revealing his own connection with the plot. She is a passenger aboard the ill-fated vessel, but is saved, and when

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"THE BETTER 'OLE"

AMUSES VICTORIANS

Comedy Arranged Around Three Musketeers of Great War, Excellently Produced

The three immortal musketeers of the Great War, Bill, Bert and Alf, appeared at the Royal Victoria Theatre last evening in a straight army comedy, "The Better 'Ole." Having followed the Bairnsfather caricatures with interest for several years, hundreds of Victorians were anxious to see if the real originals could be as humorous, as they were drawn, and the theatre was filled. Without doubt the real musketeers are far more amusing than their originals, where the sketches invite a hearty laugh the same scene behind the footlights with a few elaborations in the gruff and rasping voice of Bill, brought forth unrestrained outbursts of hilarity.

The success of the "Better 'Ole" is due to the fact that it evolves around the life of the British Tommy. Most of the plays produced centred round an officer, but the comedy last evening left them in the background and told of the part of the fighting private. It showed him as the jovial, care-free "lad" behind the line, who with the gay madamoiselles in the estaminet; carried him into the line, where he flirts with danger for pleasure; brings him before an firing party for punishment, which results in the Legion of Honor being awarded him; shows his troubles in securing a leave train, and then the joys of home-coming after sixteen months in the trenches.

Bert (Harry R. Allen), and Alf (Horace Sinclair) are the type of Tommy which might be found in any London Regiment. Their cockney talk and witticisms were ridiculously amusing. Old Bill (Paul Gilmore), however, is purely a creation of Bairnsfather's mind. Although many rough and unkempt characters have passed into the front line, none with the outspoken, derogatory and thoroughly indigestible countenance of Bill were ever admitted to the British army. The ridiculousness of his make-up adds to the amusement of the scenes. He possesses a voice which is scarcely human and at times it becomes inaudible owing to the straining of the throat. As a singer Bill is in a class by himself. Needless to say, it is not near the Caruso's class.

The play opens with the troops on rest behind the lines and enjoying themselves in an estaminet with the madamoiselles. The scene is interrupted by a bevy of beauties as they are playing last evening, it is a certainty that the sergeant-major would have been sweating drops of blood trying to fall in their companies.

Two of the most interesting scenes of the play show the three inseparable pals going into the line for their spell of duty. As they are dressed they decide to wait until the storm of shelling is passed and during these noisy moments Bill writes an amusing letter to his wife Maggie, who is in the front line, as the walrus puts it. On getting into the line Bill decides to risk his life to save two battalions of French which are to cross a bridge the Germans have mined. He discards this intelligence from a spy behind the lines. Accordingly, Bill sets forth on his mission and blows the bridge. On return to his lines the sergeant-major places him in a firing line and orders arrest for deserting his post and having in his possession plans in German, and gently reminds him that his last ceremony will be performed in about three days' time. Bill is brought before a court-martial and the total disregard with which Bill faces his fate and the disregard for his escort and officers keeps the audience in spasms of laughter. When it seems almost certain that Bill will be the victim of a firing party a French officer is announced and after a most unusual scene pins the Legion of Honor on the walrus's dirty tunic. "The O. C. wishes to know if there is anything he can do for the new hero, whereupon Bill modestly asks for fourteen days' leave for Bert, Alf and himself. It is granted.

The home-coming of William Busby, the hero, is touching as well as amusing. Bill's own ambition was to open a little pub when the war was over, but he was in a state of joy when Mrs. Busby introduced him to the pub she has bought for him. It is known as "The Better 'Ole."

Throughout the piece there are several little love scenes, in which Bert provides the greater part of the amusement. He has an affliction for French girls and with every one he meets he leaves a souvenir, his identity being disclosed, which he swears he would never give to any other girl. Bert's progress is always interrupted and most times stopped by the unfortunate appearance of Alf, the irrepressible Cockney. "The Better 'Ole" is recommended to the public. Several popular songs enliven the play at frequent intervals. It will be repeated this evening.

PRESENTS REPORT

Parks Committee Advises Cleaning Up of Cemetery and Thinning of Broom.

Various improvements to the parks and the Ross Bay cemetery were recommended in the long-expected report of the Parks Committee received and adopted by the City Council last night.

What the report terms a general "spring clean up" will be effected upon the cemetery and a number of trees will be planted on the grounds. The report advised that as the cemetery question had been left in abeyance that an offer from Arthur Lincham of twenty-five acres for a new site be left over.

Acting on the representations of James Parfitt, the committee advised that the broom in Beacon Hill Park should be thinned and that more trails be opened up.

The Council agreed to roll the cricket grounds southwest of the bowling green and will instruct the Parks Superintendent to see that the grass is cut at proper intervals.

Will Furnish Statistics.—Following the receipt by the City Council last night of a letter from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the officials of the City Hall will furnish certain statistical information on Victoria as requested.

MUCH VARIETY AT PANTAGES THIS WEEK

Acrobatic and Comedy Features Make Splendid Drawing Card

Heading six high-class vaudeville acts at the Pantages this week the Four Bards present a stellar athletic performance which places the quartette on a very high plane in gymnastic work. The finished exhibition put over by these muscular giants stamps them as top-notchers in this particular line of entertainment. The appeal in a phenomenal routine of balancing and gymnastic feats which are performed with the greatest of ease. Human beings are juggled without apparent effort and a run of clean-cut work is brought to a close by a thrilling series of hand-to-hand leaps and a remarkable balancing feat in which the entire company are participants. Acts of this kind are becoming common in modern vaudeville but the Four Bards deserve the position they hold in the current show by an exhibition that teems with surprises. Trovato is an eccentric violinist who makes a hit with all factions. His act is an unusual one and therein lies the secret of his success. Trovato fiddles his violin in a most appealing of which is "A Perfect Day" and his imitation of whistling contributed by his audience materially assists in stamping him as a popular favorite. Trovato got a big hand at the opening shows and his audiences displayed an unmistakable appetite for more.

Jack Princeton, an old vaudeville favorite, is back again as the principal in "Fire-side Reverie," an elaborate girl act produced by the Moore & McGehee Company. It is a novelty act introducing a number of dainty girls and a variety of charming musical numbers, the most appealing of which is "Love's Lullaby." This act loses nothing of its former popularity because of its new and elaborate features.

Paul Pedrini and his baboons create a lot of real fun in the opening act. These monkeys are cleverly trained and their funny antics keep the house in an uproar of merriment. Pedrini and his monkeys will stage a special matinee for the children on Saturday and it is a safe wager that the kiddies will be delighted with the performance.

Diminutive Lillian Watson presents a number of character songs which draw a lot of appreciative applause. She strikes the right chord with her song "Little, But Oh, My!"

"Bits of Musical Comedy" are introduced by Mabel Dyer and Eddie Walzer. The business of this pair is to keep everybody in a good humor. Mabel's voice is impossible, as she intends it to be, but her dancing, and that of her partner, is classy.

A feature of the Pantages scope is the filming of British and French scenic reels and operations of the Canadians on the Flanders front.

March Weather Report.—True to tradition March "came in like a lion and went out like a lamb," for rain and cloudy weather marked the opening of the month, while balmy air and sunshine were the feature of its close. The total amount of sunshine for the month was 145 hours 48 minutes, or six hours above the average. The total precipitation was 2.22 inches, or .11 below average. Since the beginning of the year the total rainfall has amounted to 10.75 inches, which is one inch above the normal for the quarter.

Thanks for Condolences.—A communication was received by the City Council last night from Lady Laurier, widow of the late Sir Wilfrid, thanking the Aldermen for the condolences offered by them at the time of her recent bereavement.

This is all you need for perfect buckwheat cakes!



"I see in town, Honey!"

No more "setting the batter" overnight! No more bother of any kind when you make buckwheat cakes!

Nowadays all you need is a package of Aunt Jemima Buckwheat Flour—the yellow package. You simply stir up the flour with a little cold water and your batter is ready—pop it on

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When the door of Food Folly is left open Disease stalks in. Many disease epidemics that sweep over the country are caused by poor food and under-nourishment.

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supplies all the body-building nutriment in the whole wheat grain prepared in a digestible form. It contains more real nutriment than meat or eggs. Two of these crisp brown little loaves of baked whole wheat with milk or cream make a complete, nourishing meal.

MADE IN CANADA

FRANCES ALDA A GREAT ARTISTE

Operatic Star to Give Recital at Royal Victoria Theatre on Monday

To few prima-donnas of the present day have such sincere and beautiful tributes been paid by press and public as to Mme. Frances Alda, who will be heard at the Royal Victoria Theatre on Monday next under the auspices of the Ladies' Musical Club. That she deserves them is evidenced by her rapidly growing popularity and success.

It is to the woman as well as to the artist that the heart of a nation has gone out. Were it alone for her noble and wonderful achievements in raising money for charitable and patriotic causes, she would be deserving of the esteem and affection of every true Canadian.

Success came to this brilliant artist not suddenly or over night but after years of patient, persevering devotion to lofty ideals inspired in her by early teachings based upon the best traditions of vocal art.

There are two things which make up versatility in Mme. Alda's success. With the pluck and ambition that are hers, there is constant development in those qualities that make for artistic perfection.

Mme. Alda's winsome personality, the magnetic quality of her appeal as an entertainer, her adaptability and rare interpretative faculty as an exponent of the art historical and the clarity and sweetness and all-round charm of her singing have been described by the leading musical critics of the country in glowing and varied terms.

Police Uniforms.—Tenders for the supplying of police uniforms were referred to the Purchasing Agent and the Police Commissioners for report by the City Council last night.



IS READY TO MEET PREMIER AGAIN

Empress of Asia Land Settlement Scheme Progresses, Says Lieut. Walker

Lieut. A. F. Walker, of the Empress of Asia land settlement scheme, will arrive in the city to-day for to-morrow for the purpose of interviewing Premier Oliver and officials of the Government in connection with matters concerning the commencement of actual settlement. This includes location of tracts, road work to be expected, and to arrange generally for co-operation of Provincial Government departments in getting the scheme properly under way.

Lieut. Walker reached Vancouver on Sunday after a two-weeks' trip to Ottawa in connection with advancement of the plans for soldiers' settlement

along community lines in this Province. He states that while he was with Colonel Innes and other officials of the Land Settlement Board at Ottawa, the sum of \$50,000 was wired to the director of the Dominion Experimental Farm at Agassiz, B. C., with directions that hutments and accommodations for the housing of soldiers who are to be taught practical farming, be erected as quickly as possible. The staff at the farm is to be augmented in consequence, he understands.

Blocks of land will be purchased by the Government and land reserved for recreation grounds, churches, schools and other public places for the common use. The unskilled soldier-farmer will be protected in that he will be able to take an option on a piece of land alongside of that of the settled practical soldier-farmer during the time he is obtaining practical tuition or at any vocational centres such as at the university or experimental farms.

Lieut. W. H. Kirchner, who accompanied Lieut. Walker east, stopped off a day at Calgary. While in Ontario they inspected the land settlement scheme in operation there. Lieut. Walker states it is working very satisfactorily.

HOUSES FOR SALE

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FAIRFIELD—A large seven-roomed house, close to the park, having good built-in furniture, open fireplace, cement basement, laundry tub, furnace, large lot with lawn and rose garden. The owner has just instructed us to reduce the price of this house for immediate sale from \$5,900 to \$4,250.

FAIRFIELD—Close to the park, and this side of Cook Street, a real fine home of nine rooms and two sleeping porches. This house has oak and maple floors, full basement, wash tub, furnace and gas heater. The electric fittings and a map of the railway station and on main road out of Victoria. Must be sold at once. Price \$12,500.

A BURBANK HOME—Within half an hour's run of the city, comprising bungalow of six good rooms, city water, electric light, open fireplace in the living room, toilet and bathroom, cement basement, about half an acre of land, all fenced. This property is situated right at the railway station and on main road out of Victoria. Must be sold at once. Price \$12,500.

A PINE BEACH RIGHT AT YOUR DOOR—This beautiful waterfront home is within three blocks of the city and has a large five-roomed bungalow with dining room and drawing room, and with open fireplace, kitchen, and completely fitted pantry, two splendid bedrooms with ample closets, and a bathroom, extra choice woodwork in all rooms; full-sized basement, heavy concrete foundation. Good garage. Call and see this property on a beautiful sheltered beach. A sacrifice at \$12,500.

Full particulars of the above upon application to

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On the B. C. Electric, 15 minutes from City Hall, close to the city.

Nearly 5 acres, half under cultivation.

Small 2 roomed house.

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\$1,500.

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WEEK-END SPECIALS

RAIOFLOWER ROAD—New four-roomed cottage, with bath and pantry; all modern conveniences, open fireplace in sitting room, basement, lot about 5 x 130. Price \$2,500; terms.**DEVONSHIRE ROAD**—New four-roomed modern cottage, with bath and pantry, beamed ceiling and open fireplace in dining room, close to the city. Price \$2,500; terms.**FOURTH AVENUE**—New four-roomed modern cottage, with bath and pantry, beamed ceiling and open fireplace in dining room, close to the city. Price \$2,500; terms.**1615 ROSE STREET**—Two-story, six-roomed dwelling, with all modern conveniences, one open fireplace, new lawn. Price \$1,500; terms.**1215 JAVIER STREET**—One and one-half story, six-roomed dwelling, in excellent repair, two open fireplaces, store room, bathroom and pantry, new lawn, close to shipyards. Price \$1,500, including about 1500 worth of furniture, ready to rent at \$25.00.**KINGS ROAD**—One and one-half story, six-roomed dwelling, modern, lot 50 x 130; large barn and chicken house. Good value at \$1,500.**POUTH STREET**—Five-roomed modern cottage with large lot. Price \$1,700.**1415 SHAKESPEARE**—Four-roomed modern cottage, with sewer, electric light, water, one open fireplace, lot 51 x 130; excellent soil. Price reduced to \$1,200; terms, \$100 cash, balance monthly.**PANDORA AVENUE**—Near Vancouver, two-story residence, containing seven rooms, in excellent condition; modern conveniences; lot 25 x 120; good speculative value at \$1,500; terms, cash.**BELTON AVENUE**—Four-roomed modern cottage on cement foundation; high ground. Price \$1,100; terms, \$100 cash, balance \$15 per month with interest at 5 per cent.**WILMOT PLACE**—Seven-roomed modern residence, with every modern convenience; beamed ceiling and paneled walls; built in buffet, bathroom; wash tub; lot 60 x 130; garage. Price \$5,500; terms to be arranged.**MONEY TO LOAN ON APPROVED SECURITY AT LOWEST CURRENT RATES****LIST YOUR HOME WITH ME FOR IMMEDIATE SALE**

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Price \$4,500.00 on terms

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OXFORD STREET—One-story, six-roomed bungalow, full basement, furnace, full-sized bathroom, lot 50 x 130; price \$2,500; terms, \$500 cash, balance monthly payments.

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Near Beacon Hill Park, the beach and street car, seven-roomed house on sixty-foot lot, with garage, cement basement, furnace, and in one of the well-built residences in this desirable district. Price reduced to \$2,500, with \$500 cash.

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\$1,100—FOWL BAY, Beechwood Avenue. Five roomed house, every modern convenience.**\$2,500—OAK BAY**, Bank Street. Seven roomed, modern house.**\$150 CASH** first payment on this six roomed house, two lots, close to shipyards. Price \$2,100.

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DURBAN STREET—Pretty five-roomed bungalow, beamed ceilings, built-in sideboard, paneled walls, good cement basement; lot 40 x 130. On easy terms. Price \$2,100.

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Cement basement, choice residential site. Price \$2,400; cash \$150, balance on easy terms.

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ONE ACRE—Beautifully treed with oak trees, overlooking the beach at Oak Bay. Price \$2,500; cash \$1,000, balance on easy terms.

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ESQUIMALT DISTRICT, OFF CHAMPAGNE ROAD

MODERN SEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE—Well built, lot 40 x 130. Price \$2,500; cash \$1,000, balance on easy terms.

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SEVEN-ROOMED HOUSE—Modern, new house, hardwood floors, built-in buffet, full-sized bathroom, modern kitchen, granite fireplace; fine electric fixtures, paneled hall and dining room, three bedrooms, full-sized bathroom, full-sized living room, full-sized kitchen, full-sized laundry, full-sized closet. This home is exceptionally well built.

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VICTORIA AVENUE—Oak Bay; seven-roomed house, strictly up-to-date, has all the latest improvements, such as beamed ceilings, paneled walls, hardwood floors, built-in buffet, modern kitchen, full-sized bathroom, full-sized living room, full-sized kitchen, full-sized laundry, full-sized closet. This home is exceptionally well built.

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GOVERNMENT STREET—Close in, house, close to Beacon Hill Park and sea; eight rooms, full basement, full-sized bathroom, full-sized living room, full-sized kitchen, full-sized laundry, full-sized closet. This home is exceptionally well built.

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OAK BAY—Nice appearing, concrete, 1 1/2 story house of 6 rooms, 2 bedrooms downstairs and 2 upstairs, fireplace, modern kitchen, full-sized bathroom, full-sized living room, full-sized kitchen, full-sized laundry, full-sized closet. This home is exceptionally well built.

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FAIRFIELD—First-class, fully modern, well-built house; high location, only \$2,700; terms.

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WONDERFUL PICK-UP—Good six-roomed, modern, practically new 1 1/2 story house, attractive exterior, interior finished in beaver board; modern bathroom and plumbing, basement and assorted fruit trees; good location on paved road; corner lot, near shipyards, \$1,500. A bargain for the one that sees it first; only \$1,000, cash, balance on mortgage at 5 per cent. T. P. McConnell, 250 Pemberton Building. a1-25

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(Signed) J. H. DELVES
Acting Naval Store Officer.

(Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will be held for.)

A Reign of Terror in Budapest Now; Famine Is Feared

Prague, March 30.—Delayed.—The Communists have set up a reign of terror in Budapest, according to M. Kren, a member of the Czech-Slovak Mission to Budapest, who returned here to-day. The stocks of food in the Hungarian capital are sufficient for only ten days. Famine is feared, and the coal situation also is grave.

The population of Budapest, M. Kren adds, hopes for intervention by the Allies.

Prisoners Released by Rioting Crowds in Frankfurt, Germany

London, April 1.—Serious rioting occurred Monday in Frankfurt-on-the-Main, according to a Central News dispatch from Amsterdam. Crowds attacked the police station, released the prisoners there, and set fire to the building, but order was eventually restored.

STATE OF SIEGE IN THE RUHR INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, GERMANY

Berlin, March 31.—Via Copenhagen, April 1.—The Government has decided to proclaim a state of siege in the Ruhr industrial district. Troops are advancing to that region to protect the plants and their workers from the terrorists.

FROM JERUSALEM TO STATES FOR TRIAL

College Professor and Wife, Americans, Aided German Spies' Work

Washington, April 1.—Secretary Baker has approved a request of the British military authorities in Turkey that they be permitted to arrest on charges of treason James Spoor and a naturalized American citizen, and his wife, declared officially to have been "closely associated with the head of the German spy system in Palestine and among British Indian subjects."

The plan is to have the couple brought to the United States for trial. Because the United States and Turkey have not been at war the arrests could not be made by American military authorities, but the Judge-Advocate-General's office held that the British Military Commission, "under the common-law of military occupation," could carry out its plan of taking Spoor and his wife into custody and turning them over to the United States.

Spoor, said to be of German origin, has been employed as a professor at the Saladin Arab University in Jerusalem. His wife is of Scottish birth, but, according to the charges, is known to have lived in German headquarters. Both are accused of having engaged in violent anti-British and anti-American propaganda, principally through speech-making and in distribution of inflammatory literature.

NO HOCKEY GAMES IN SEATTLE ARENA

Seattle, April 1.—Definite announcement was made at the Arena at 2.30 p. m. to-day that there would be no pro-day series games here this year.

At noon to-day workmen started tearing up the Arena's ice floor preparatory to converting the building into a roller skating rink.

The fact that the ice was being taken up was an argument as to whether or not the series would be continued if the visiting team was able later to put enough men on the ice.

EXPLOSION IN PLANT IN GEORGIA TO-DAY KILLED SEVERAL

Birmingham, Ala., April 1.—Several persons are reported to have been killed and many injured when a cornmeal mill and press mill, part of the du Pont de Nemours powder plant at Boyle's, Ga., north of Birmingham, blew up shortly after noon to-day. Fire, caused by the explosion, is now raging, and is reported beyond control. Ammunitions have been rushed from Birmingham.

LONDON THEATRE EMPLOYEES DESIRE WAGES INCREASED

London, April 1.—(Associated Press)—In view of the movement among theatre employees here for a minimum wage of \$15 a week and pay for rehearsals, someone has unearthed the payroll of the Theatre of the half-century ago, and given it to the public for the purpose of comparison.

In Sir Charles Windham is shown as receiving \$15 a week, while Sir Henry Irving received less by about \$25. Toole, the leading star, was about \$55, and Miss Ellen Terry, the leading lady, was put down at \$25.

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MR. WILSON WANTS PACT COMPLETED

Tells Allied Premiers Agreement on Differences Should Be Sought

WORDS CONSTRUED AS A WARNING

Paris, April 1.—What is construed as a warning that the world can no longer countenance further delay in the adjustment of peace was delivered to the Allied Premiers and military representatives of the Allied Powers by President Wilson yesterday.

It is learned that at a late hour on Monday he arose during the Premiers' conference to take place in Premier Clemenceau's room at the French War Office and solemnly assured the conferees of his belief that they should do all in their power to bring together the loose ends in the debate in an effort to unite on peace terms upon which a treaty might be presented to Germany.

The President's appeal for an expedited effort followed a long session at which there had been more than the usual oratory. It came at the close of a day when financial experts had been called before the Premiers and President. They had explained the different points of view that had arisen during the considerations of the question of reparations.

Military experts likewise had been consulted at length regarding the disposition of the Saar Valley, the left bank of the Rhine, the problem of Danzig and other questions in which strategic issues were involved.

Mr. Lloyd George. Paris, April 1.—(Havas).—Notwithstanding the delay in reaching an agreement on the preliminary peace treaty, Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister of Great Britain, said yesterday afternoon before the House of Commons that he did not intend to return to London before the questions are adjusted in spite of his desire to attend the closing meeting of the British Labor Conference.

LIQUOR CHARGE IN VANCOUVER FAILS

Vancouver, April 1.—Hearing of a charge of violation of the Prohibition Act preferred against the Western Canada Liquor Company took place yesterday afternoon here before Magistrate Shaw.

The allegation was that the company had liquor in a place prohibited by the law, the said liquor being consigned to T. Freeman, of New Westminster, the charge being based, it was said, on evidence given at a recent hearing in the latter city.

D. J. Craig, K. C., prosecuted. E. P. Davis, K. C., appearing for the defense. The hearing was held in the afternoon, which was stored temporarily by the defendants, was in transit to Mr. Freeman. He contended that the fact of its being held on the company's premises for a short time did not interfere with its status as being in transit. The court upheld this argument and ordering a dismissal of the charge.

SNOWSLIDE KILLED ONLY A. T. FRASER

Vancouver, April 1.—It was announced here to-day that Alan T. Fraser, of Winnipeg, chief engineer of Western Lines of the Canadian National Railways, went to his death alone in the snowslide in Ellison Pass, near Mount Robson, yesterday afternoon. Five or six members of a section gang were caught in the slide, it is stated, but escaped with their lives. No other information has been received.

A. E. Warren and D. R. Campbell, local officials of the C. N. R., went up the line last night and will take the body to Edmonton.

BODIES TAKEN FROM COLORADO MINE

Trinidad, Colo., April 1.—The work of recovering the bodies of thirteen miners who lost their lives in an explosion in the Empire Coal Mine at regular early yesterday morning was completed early to-day when two bodies were brought to the surface by rescue crews. The bodies of the other eleven men were recovered late yesterday.

An inquest to determine the cause of the explosion will be started here this afternoon.

State Coal Mine Inspector James Dalrymple has started an investigation.

MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN CHICAGO TO-DAY

Chicago, April 1.—The electors of the city are balloting for Mayor and other city officers to-day after a campaign said to have been the most bitter in the history of the municipality. With six candidates in the field for Mayor, partisan, religious and racial hatreds flamed high during the campaign, which ended last night with riotous scenes in the central district which extra police details had difficulty in controlling at times.

THOUGHT HIMSELF EXEMPT.

Quebec, April 1.—Antoine Fiset, claiming to be the inventor of hay-presses, was tried before a court-martial yesterday on a charge of desertion. He said he thought his inventions exempted him.

AMERICAN WARSHIPS IN THE PACIFIC

Half of Atlantic Fleet to Be Based on Pacific Coast

Seattle, April 1.—Half of the American Atlantic warship fleet is to be assigned to permanent stations on the Pacific, members of the House Naval Affairs Committee declared here to-day.

"It will be a fifty-fifty proposition, the fleet being equally divided," Representative William J. Browning, New Jersey, replied when asked the number of vessels to be sent to the Pacific. He did not know, however, the changes would be made by supposed plans for the change would be started as soon as Secretary Daniels returns from Europe.

The Committee arrived here to-day at noon by automobile from Tacoma. Late to-day they will be taken on a launch tour of Elliott Bay, Lake Union and Lake Washington.

A Western League. San Francisco, April 1.—A "League of Western States," for the purpose of advancing the economic and industrial interests of the Pacific coast, has been proposed by Mayor George L. Baker, of Portland, Ore., who is visiting here after attending the conference of Governors and Mayors in Washington.

"I should like to see all the Chambers of Commerce, Rotary Clubs and labor unions—in fact every organization interested in industry or commerce on the Pacific coast—joined in one powerful league of western states," Mayor Baker said.

MORE STOCK FOR THE GRAND TRUNK

Commons Railway Committee Reports Bill Granting Company Permission

Ottawa, April 1.—There was more opposition to the bill authorizing the Grand Trunk Railway to issue new consolidated debenture stock not exceeding \$15,000,000 at the session of the Railway Committee of the Commons this morning.

W. F. Cockshutt referred to a report that the company was willing to carry on for four years if it should receive a grant of \$7,000,000.

Hon. J. D. Reid, Minister of Railways, said that no such proposal had been made by the Government.

The Minister said it was the desire of Sir Thomas White, that the bill should pass. The Minister assured the Committee that the negotiations for the purchase of the Grand Trunk would be continued but not prolonged. He expressed the conviction that the Grand Trunk should be joined to the Government system of railways, making two first-class railways.

The financing of the Grand Trunk was a problem. He was not disposed to criticize the Grand Trunk management in Canada, but his fight was with certain financial manipulators in London who had raised the issue of the credit of Canada. They always took care to get their dividends, he said. The Grand Trunk was so overloaded that it could not conduct its business. It was not proposed to load it up with more capital indebtedness. It would, he said, all come back on the people of Canada.

The Committee, in view of the request of the Minister of Finance, and the statement that the money it is proposed to raise, will be required even if the system should be taken over by the Government, reported the bill, Mr. Richardson alone objecting.

MEAT PACKERS FREED FROM RESTRICTIONS IN UNITED STATES

Washington, April 1.—All meat packers in the United States were released to-day from Food Administration control.

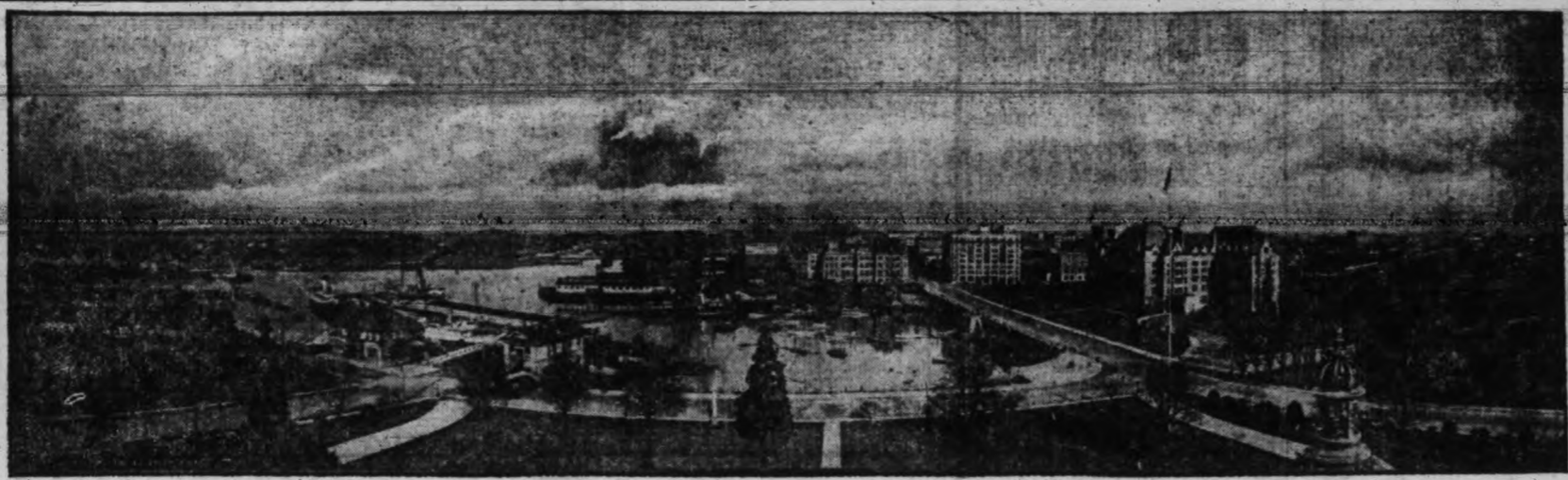
Under a proclamation signed by President Wilson at Paris, effective to-day, "all persons, firms, corporations or associations engaged in importing or manufacturing, including packing, storing or distribution of fresh, canned or cured beef, pork, mutton or lamb," are released from license by the Food Administration.

TO-DAY'S TRADING ON WINNIPEG MARKET

(By Burdick Bros. & Brett, Ltd.)
Winnipeg, April 1.—Oats closed 5c higher for May and 4c higher for July. Barley closed 1 1/2c higher for May and 1 1/2c higher for July. Flax closed 1 1/2c lower for May and 1 1/2c lower for July.

Date	High	Low	Close
May	70 1/2	70 1/4	70 1/2
July	71 1/2	71 1/4	71 1/2
Sept.	72 1/2	72 1/4	72 1/2
Nov.	73 1/2	73 1/4	73 1/2
Dec.	74 1/2	74 1/4	74 1/2
Jan.	75 1/2	75 1/4	75 1/2
Feb.	76 1/2	76 1/4	76 1/2
Mar.	77 1/2	77 1/4	77 1/2
Apr.	78 1/2	78 1/4	78 1/2
May	79 1/2	79 1/4	79 1/2
June	80 1/2	80 1/4	80 1/2
July	81 1/2	81 1/4	81 1/2
Aug.	82 1/2	82 1/4	82 1/2
Sept.	83 1/2	83 1/4	83 1/2
Oct.	84 1/2	84 1/4	84 1/2
Nov.	85 1/2	85 1/4	85 1/2
Dec.	86 1/2	86 1/4	86 1/2
Jan.	87 1/2	87 1/4	87 1/2
Feb.	88 1/2	88 1/4	88 1/2
Mar.	89 1/2	89 1/4	89 1/2
Apr.	90 1/2	90 1/4	90 1/2
May	91 1/2	91 1/4	91 1/2
June	92 1/2	92 1/4	92 1/2
July	93 1/2	93 1/4	93 1/2
Aug.	94 1/2	94 1/4	94 1/2
Sept.	95 1/2	95 1/4	95 1/2
Oct.	96 1/2	96 1/4	96 1/2
Nov.	97 1/2	97 1/4	97 1/2
Dec.	98 1/2	98 1/4	98 1/2
Jan.	99 1/2	99 1/4	99 1/2
Feb.	100 1/2	100 1/4	100 1/2
Mar.	101 1/2	101 1/4	101 1/2
Apr.	102 1/2	102 1/4	102 1/2
May	103 1/2	103 1/4	103 1/2
June	104 1/2	104 1/4	104 1/2
July	105 1/2	105 1/4	105 1/2
Aug.	106 1/2	106 1/4	106 1/2
Sept.	107 1/2	107 1/4	107 1/2
Oct.	108 1/2	108 1/4	108 1/2
Nov.	109 1/2	109 1/4	109 1/2
Dec.	110 1/2	110 1/4	110 1/2
Jan.	111 1/2	111 1/4	111 1/2
Feb.	112 1/2	112 1/4	112 1/2
Mar.	113 1/2	113 1/4	113 1/2
Apr.	114 1/2	114 1/4	114 1/2
May	115 1/2	115 1/4	115 1/2
June	116 1/2	116 1/4	116 1/2
July	117 1/2	117 1/4	117 1/2
Aug.	118 1/2	118 1/4	118 1/2
Sept.	119 1/2	119 1/4	119 1/2
Oct.	120 1/2	120 1/4	120 1/2
Nov.	121 1/2	121 1/4	121 1/2
Dec.	122 1/2	122 1/4	122 1/2
Jan.	123 1/2	123 1/4	123 1/2
Feb.	124 1/2	124 1/4	124 1/2
Mar.	125 1/2	125 1/4	125 1/2
Apr.	126 1/2	126 1/4	126 1/2
May	127 1/2	127 1/4	127 1/2
June	128 1/2	128 1/4	128 1/2
July	129 1/2	129 1/4	129 1/2
Aug.	130 1/2	130 1/4	130 1/2
Sept.	131 1/2	131 1/4	131 1/2
Oct.	132 1/2	132 1/4	132 1/2
Nov.	133 1/2	133 1/4	133 1/2
Dec.	134 1/2	134 1/4	134 1/2
Jan.	135 1/2	135 1/4	135 1/2
Feb.	136 1/2	136 1/4	136 1/2
Mar.	137 1/2	137 1/4	137 1/2
Apr.	138 1/2	138 1/4	138 1/2
May	139 1/2	139 1/4	139 1/2
June	140 1/2	140 1/4	140 1/2
July	141 1/2	141 1/4	141 1/2
Aug.	142 1/2	142 1/4	142 1/2
Sept.	143 1/2	143 1/4	143 1/2
Oct.	144 1/2	144 1/4	144 1/2
Nov.	145 1/2	145 1/4	145 1/2
Dec.	146 1/2	146 1/4	146 1/2
Jan.	147 1/2	147 1/4	147 1/2
Feb.	148 1/2	148 1/4	148 1/2
Mar.	149 1/2	149 1/4	149 1/2
Apr.	150 1/2	150 1/4	150 1/2
May	151 1/2	151 1/4	151 1/2
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July	153 1/2	153 1/4	153 1/2
Aug.	154 1/2	154 1/4	154 1/2
Sept.	155 1/2	155 1/4	155 1/2
Oct.	156 1/2	156 1/4	156 1/2
Nov.	157 1/2	157 1/4	157 1/2
Dec.	158 1/2	158 1/4	158 1/2
Jan.	159 1/2	159 1/4	159 1/2
Feb.	160 1/2	160 1/4	160 1/2
Mar.	161 1/2	161 1/4	161 1/2
Apr.	162 1/2	162 1/4	162 1/2
May	163 1/2	163 1/4	163 1/2
June	164 1/2	164 1/4	164 1/2

PANORAMIC VIEW OF INNER HARBOR FROM PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS DOME



Victorians will note in the above picture the optical illusion of Belleville Street, which appears to be a crescent. W. W. Baer, who took the photograph recently, points out that the whole expanse from Laurel Point to Church Hill is embraced in the panorama.

MORE HULLS NEAR LAUNCHING STAGE

Foundation Ships to Be Sent Afloat on April 10 and 17 Respectively

Plans for the launching of hulls No. 209 and 219, the second pair of twenty vessels contracted for by the Foundation Company, are under consideration, the proposed dates of launching having been set for April 10 and April 17 respectively. Hull 209 will be sent adrift from the Point Hope yard and hull 219 from Point Ellice yard.

These vessels are fully planked and the caulking of the seams is practically complete. All to the ships lack preparatory to launching is a coating of composition and the assembling of the shafts and propellers.

At the present rate of progress it is expected that a launching will take place every alternate week which means that each month from this stage of the contract should see two completed hulls put into the water.

New Hulls Progressing.

The ways vacated by the Metz and Strasbourgs are now occupied by the keels of hulls 211 and 220 and the framing girders are already away to a good start. Up to noon to-day, twelve square frames had been erected on keel 211 at Point Hope and the first frame had been tree nailed and was ready for erection on keel 220 at Point Ellice. The frames are being assembled and erected at the rate of ten in a day of eight hours or approximately one every hour, and it is expected that the square-framing of the new hulls will be completed in about twelve days.

The yard organization is working smoothly and some fast work is predicted on the new hulls.

Ogden Point Open.

Yesterday morning saw the reopening of the Ogden Point assembly plant and several gangs of workmen are now busily engaged in completing the remainder of additional machinery in place.

Pending the arrival of the initial engine and boiler units the Ogden Point organization will concentrate on the superstructure work on the Strasbourgs and Metz.

LINER MAKURA DUE HERE ON APRIL 10

On her return voyage from New Zealand the Canadian-Australian liner Makura, Capt. R. Crawford, is now scheduled to arrive here April 10, according to information received by the company's agents.

The Makura will sail outwards on April 15. The Niagara, Capt. J. T. Rolfs, is due from Sydney April 20 and is posted to sail April 25.

DISABLED AT SEA, STEAMSHIP JASON TOWED TO HALIFAX

Halifax, April 1.—The American steamship Jason, which sailed from New York, March 22 for Havre, France, was towed in here to-day by the British steamship Bayrol. The circulation pump of the Jason was damaged several days ago and she had a bad list when she reached here.

ASIA AT HONGKONG:

The C. P. O. S. liner Empress of Asia is reported to have reached Hongkong from Victoria on March 22.

BOILS AND CARBUNCLES ARE VERY DISTRESSING

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JOINT OPERATION OF COUGHLAN YARD DECLARED SUCCESS

First Day in Co-operative Management Passed Off Without a Hitch

Vancouver, April 1.—Vancouver's experiment in co-operative management, hailed as the newest achievement for the rights of man and peace of the people, was launched yesterday at the Coughlan Shipbuilding plant and went through its first day without a hitch.

The Coughlan plant is now under the management of production committee in which the workers and the employing firm have equal representation.

A conference held yesterday afternoon to check up on the first day's effort and to consider the agreement under which the committee operates did not finally devise and define the powers of the new governing body. This, it is expected, will be done at the continuation of the conference to-day.

It is not intended to give the committee mandatory powers, such as hiring or discharging men, stopping work or altering plans or methods peremptorily. The committee's duties now are largely to observe, suggest and supervise. Later it may be that these powers will be extended, but for the present the committee aims to seek out the truth and suggest a remedy for the conditions complained of.

MACY SCALE WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT

Until New Working Agreement is Made Between Employers and Employees

Philadelphia, April 1.—Charles Piez, director-general of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, announces that the Macy Board award relating to wages, hours and other conditions, which expires to-night, will be continued and guaranteed for the Corporation until the employees and employers of all shipyards in the country where the award applies, have reached a new agreement. The guarantee, Mr. Piez said, would expire October 1, if an agreement has not been reached by that time.

Mr. Piez made the announcement after a conference with representatives of labor unions and private yards. Notices to all yards were sent out.

A plan to take the place of the Macy Board award is under consideration by employers and employees. Mr. Piez said, and he hoped that within a week agreements would be reached. It is planned, he added, to have three district boards, one covering the Pacific coast, another the Great Lakes and the third the Atlantic seaboard. There would be five representatives of employers and five representing labor on each of the three boards. The plan of operation would be along the general lines of the Macy award. The fleet corporation would not be represented on the new boards.

DERELICT SIGHTED BY STEAMSHIP MAUI

New York, April 1.—Part of an unidentified three-masted schooner which apparently had been cut in two in a collision was discovered about 250 miles north of Bermuda, Friday by the transport Maui, which docked here yesterday from Brest with troops.

Lieut. Everett H. Sanderlin, the Maui's navigating officer and eighteen men of the crew, volunteered to launch a lifeboat and battled their way through the storm to the derelict. The distress signals were still flying and a broken lifeboat was lashed to the deckhouse. It was assumed the crew had been washed overboard.

LIGHT SEAL CATCH ON ATLANTIC COAST

St. Johns, Nfld., April 1.—Captain Farquhar's steamer Sable has arrived here practically empty, having only 2,000 seals. She reported very unfavorable conditions prevailing at the ice fields. The catch for nine steamer days on the front of the island so far is under 60,000, and the catch probably will be the smallest for over a century. The Diana reports thirty-nine men out of 125 comprising her crew down with a disease supposed to be Spanish influenza.

I. M. B. TERMINATES COAST OPERATIONS

Departure of War Suquash Witnesses Completion of 27 Wooden Steamships

The departure of the War Suquash on her maiden voyage to the United Kingdom automatically brings to a close the work of the Imperial Munitions Board on the coast.

The final wind-up of the affairs at the headquarters of the Board here is now under way, and within a few days the local organization will be non-existent. In relinquishing the post of British Columbia representative of the Imperial Munitions Board, Robert P. Butchart, who, since the summer of 1917 has given his time personally to the management of the organization, will now be able to devote his attention to his business enterprises.

Capt. John Snoddon, representative of the British Ministry of Shipping and the managing owners of the wooden ships built on the coast, after dispatching the War Suquash, is making preparations to leave for London.

The Imperial Munitions Board started shipbuilding operations on the coast in June, 1917, and in the interim twenty-seven wooden steamships of 2,500 tons each have been built, outfitted and dispatched to the United Kingdom. Nineteen wooden vessels of the same tonnage were built by firms on the Canadian-Atlantic seaboard.

The contractors for the hulls on this coast were: The Foundation Company of British Columbia, Ltd., Victoria; the shipyard, Cameron-Gibson Mills Shipbuilders, Ltd., Victoria; four ships; Western Canada Shipyard, Ltd., Vancouver; six ships; Loyal Shipbuilding Company, North Vancouver; six ships; Westminister Construction & Engineering Company, New Westminster; four ships; and the Pacific Construction Company, Port Coquitlam; two ships.

Vessels Built.

The names of the vessels built and the order of launching follow: War Songhee, War Nootka, War Cariboo, War Puget, War Seattle, War Cariboo, War Comox, War Masset, War Tyee, War Haida, War Cayuse, War Atlin, War Tatla, War Skeena, War Edensaw, War Babine, War Nicola, War Fraser, War Bulkley, War Skeena, War Chilkat, War Stikine, War Tanoo, War Kitimat, War Camchin, War Nahcose, War Ewen. All the steamships which have been built on the coast were assigned on completion to the British Government. The B. C.-built ships were assigned to the following British shipping firms: Easton, Greig & Co., Glasgow; J. Cook & Sons, Aberdeen; H. Fernie & Sons, Liverpool; J. Hardie & Co., Glasgow; and R. and J. H. Rea & Co., London.

CLODIA LAUNCHED AT BELLINGHAM

Bellingham, Wash., April 1.—The wooden steamship Clodia, the seventh and last vessel built here for the U. S. Shipping Board, was launched at the Pacific American Fisheries Shipyard late yesterday.

KASHIMA MARU IS BEHIND SCHEDULE

Running five days behind schedule the Nippon Yusen Kaisha liner Kashima Maru sailed from Yokohama, March 24. She is expected to reach Victoria on Saturday or Sunday next. No details have yet been received here as to the inbound liner's passengers and cargo.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Arrivals, April 1.—La Lorraine, New York, from Havre; Siboney, New York, from St. Nazaire; Maui, New York, from St. Nazaire; Orduña, New York, from Liverpool; Caseta, Gibraltar, from New York; Plattburg, Liverpool, from New York; Minnedosa, Liverpool, from St. John; Digby, Halifax, from Liverpool; Ichanne, Halifax, from Piraeus via Gibraltar. Sailed: Olympic from Halifax for Southampton; Wataks from Halifax for New York; Seattle, March 31.—Arrived: Str. Africa Maru, Hongkong; Governor, San Diego; Admiral Nicholson, Southeast Alaska; Rainier, Yosemite, San Francisco; Sailed: Str. Admiral Dewey, San Diego; Redondo, Southeast Alaska; Portland, Ore., March 31.—Arrived: Str. Williamette, San Francisco; Departed: Str. Port Stevens, Trial. Tacoma, March 31.—Arrived: Str. Queen, Britannia Beach; B. S. Sailed: Str. Wamona, Seattle; Str. Alameda, Alaska. Hongkong, March 31.—Arrived: Str. Empress of Asia, Vancouver; Sailed: Str. Libby Maine, Seattle.

FAILED TO NEGOTIATE NORTHWEST PASSAGE

Harold Noice, Formerly With Stefansson Expedition, Abandons Plan

Seattle, April 1.—Arriving in Fairbanks, Alaska, after a long "mush" out from the Arctic via the mouth of the Mackenzie River, Capt. Alexander Allan, old-time Arctic navigator and trader, last night sent the following news by wire and cable to The Times:

Harold Noice, youthful Seattle explorer, who formerly was a member of the Stefansson expedition has been defeated in his daring attempt to sail through the Northwest Passage from West to East, his schooner, the Challenge, not proving stout enough for the dangerous venture. He has sold the Challenge to the Hudson's Bay Company and the vessel is wintering in Copper Mine River. Young Noice plans to work his way eastward by dog team until he reaches Hudson's Bay and the Atlantic. In the meantime, however, he will map the east coast of Victoria Land, a work that never has been undertaken before.

The schooner Argo is wintering in Darnley Bay. The Anna Olga is at Martin Point and the El Sueno is laid up in Bernard Harbor. The Teddy Bear had not been heard from when Captain Allan left the Arctic on his long hike overland to Fairbanks.

In his message Captain Allan reports that two blond Eskimos were arrested by Corporal Conway of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, charged with the murder of a native woman whose body had disappeared. The Eskimos were discharged for lack of evidence.

Captain Allan left the Arctic Coast March 4, and made the "mush" from the Mackenzie River over the Endicott Range, down the Porcupine and thence to Fairbanks in twenty-six days, following the same route that he followed more than a year ago when he arrived in Fairbanks unharmed.

WIRELESS REPORT

April 1, 8 a. m.
Point Grey—Cloudy; calm; 30.25; 45; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Clear; calm; 30.32; 42; sea smooth. Spokane, Chesham, 8.30 a. m., abeam Cape Mudge; 5.45 a. m., southbound.
Pachena—Cloudy; calm; 30.22; 47; sea moderate.
Estevan—Overcast; calm; 30.04; 44; light swell.
Alert Bay—Cloudy; calm; 29.96; 40; sea smooth.
Triangle—Fog; calm; 30.32; 44; dense seaward.
Dead Tree Point—Clear; calm; 30.23; 38; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Overcast; calm; 30.32; 42; sea smooth.
Prince Rupert—Rain; S. E., fresh; 30.09; 40; sea moderate. Spoke str. Jefferson, 7 p. m., off Lucy Island, northbound.

Noon.
Point Grey—Clear; N. W. light; 30.21; 51; sea smooth.
Cape Lazo—Cloudy; calm; 30.30; 50; sea smooth. Spoke steamer Redondo, 11 a. m., abeam, northbound; spoke steamer Apex, 12.15 p. m., off Cape Mudge, southbound.

Pachena—Cloudy; S. E. light; 30.20; 54; light swell.
Estevan—Cloudy; calm; 30.02; 47; light swell.

Alert Bay—Clear; calm; 30.01; 45; sea smooth.
Triangle—Overcast; calm; 30.21; 44; sea moderate. Spoke steamer Gray, 5.45 a. m., crossing Millbank Sound, southbound; spoke steamer Norwood, 10.30 a. m., anchored at Bella Bella.

Dead Tree Point—Clear; calm; 30.30; 50; sea smooth.
Ikeda Bay—Misty; calm; 30.36; 49; sea smooth.

Prince Rupert—Overcast; S. E. light; 30.11; 42; light swell.

LIGHTHOUSE TENDERS ARE PUTTING TO SEA

The Dominion lighthouse tender Estevan is due to get away from port this week for the west coast of Vancouver Island. The Newington is also about to sail for the Gulf on buoy duty. The steamer Leebro is carrying supplies to Dried Point near Bella Bella, where a new lighthouse is being erected.

STRIKE AVERTED

Detroit, April 1.—A threatened strike of members of five organizations of marine workers' organizations having to do with dredging and drilling operations on the Great Lakes, set for to-day, has been averted, temporarily at least, it was announced here this morning by agreement to submit differences over working conditions to a National Adjustment Commission. The adjustment Commission, it was stated, will meet at a date to be fixed later. Meanwhile the men will remain at work.

ESTIMATED LOSS OF LIFE AT BRISTOL

Between Five and Twenty Killed and Scores Injured at Launching Accident

Bristol, Pa., April 1.—Estimates early to-day of the number of persons drowned or killed in the collapse of a lightly-constructed patrol bridge fronting the shipways of the Merchant Shipbuilding Corporation at Harrison, near here, during the launching of a freighter yesterday, raised between five and twenty. About a score were injured, none of them seriously.

After working throughout the night divers had recovered only four bodies and some officials expressed the belief that no more than one or two others had lost their lives.

The bridge fell into the Delaware River under the weight of, between fifty and seventy-five men five minutes before the launching of the 8,400-ton cargo carrier Waukan. Members of the launching party could not see the accident from their position on the land side of the shipways and the vessel was launched on schedule time. Suction from the launching cargo carrier, it is feared, may have carried some of the bodies out into the channel.

STIRRING TIMES ON WEST ASIAN FRONTS

Charles G. Wright, Who Enlisted Here, Had Strenuous Experiences

"I venture the assertion that a man could not expose his bare head to the sun in Mesopotamia for one minute without being killed by sunstroke. Comrades with whom I have been talking have fallen dead almost before I could turn around. The heat was terrific, 132 degrees in the shade. It was necessary to wear one's helmet every minute. And as for sanitation, the natives don't know what it means. How the natives can drink the water there and live is more than I can understand, but they do. One drink would kill an American or British officer. I have seen hundreds of women and children blind as the result of venereal diseases, which is almost universal, and nothing is done to check it," says Charles G. Wright, who has now returned to Seattle. Mr. Wright enlisted with the Western Scots here during 1915, and proceeded to England, later volunteering for "dangerous work" in Mesopotamia. He recently returned here for discharge, and is still suffering from the effects of his experiences.

In this way he has come to motor and marched through the Khyber and other passes of the Northwestern Frontier of India.

With Townshend.

He was with the Thirteenth Division of Gen. Townshend's army in the Mesopotamia campaign. He was on the fighting line all the time, for scarcely a day passed without the British troops having an encounter of more or less serious nature with the Turks and Arabs, who participated in the guerrilla warfare. When he was with the British and Indian troops on the northwestern boundary of India, there was almost constant fighting with the Pathans, or native Afghans, who, inspired by German propaganda, were harassing the British in an effort to open a way into India.

Critical Time.

Nine months of the period of Private Wright's service he spent in hospitals. Stricken with Mesopotamia fever, he and a single comrade lay for two days and nights on the sands of Mesopotamia before relief reached them. He was then sent to a base hospital at Bombay, India, and later to a convalescent camp in Southern India. When sufficiently recovered to return to service he applied for a transfer to France, but was again disappointed and was sent to the northwestern frontier. After several months of service he was again taken sick and returned to Bombay. This time he was invalided home, his papers showing that he was suffering from dysentery, malaria, disorder of the heart, Mesopotamia fever and colitis. A hospital ship conveyed him through the Red Sea, a train took him to Alexandria, and another hospital ship brought him to Bristol, England. During the succeeding weeks he was several times on the verge of death, but his indomitable determination, so the doctors said, brought him through.

Is Grateful.

Mr. Wright is exceedingly grateful to both the American and Canadian Red Cross for kindness shown him while in the hospital. In Mesopotamia medical supplies and hospital attendants were very scarce, thousands dying for lack

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Boy Singer's Ovation.—An enthusiastic audience attended the concert given by Bandmaster Rowlands at the Pantages Theatre Sunday night. Jack Puntin, the twelve-year-old singer, was accorded a splendid reception. This young singer has the proud distinction of being the only Canadian elected to the choir of that cathedral. Since coming to Victoria with his parents he has continued his vocal studies under Mme. Webb.

Wants Data.—A request for data on the parks and pleasure grounds of

Victoria was received from the Calgary City and District Association Football League by the City Council last night. The Calgary body, with regrets that its city was lacking in such institutions, requested information so that it could see exactly how it stood in comparison with other Canadian cities. The matter was referred to the Parks Superintendent.

The first raincloud of coal from the German Sarre basin, in French occupation, has just reached Paris.

CLOSING MEASURE

WEATHERS SQUALL

Post Office Closing Discussed; Other Complaints Expected

The new Early Closing By-law ran against and successfully weathered a squall at a meeting of the City Council last night. After a brief debate on the subject the Aldermen decided to inform the Postmaster that the desirability of branch post offices keeping open after fixed hours was not within their jurisdiction.

The letter from Postmaster Bishop enclosed a communication from the sub-postmaster at the Fairfield post office. The latter wanted to know if some provision could not be made whereby he might serve the public after six o'clock at night. In this connection he pointed out that the sale of about half the stamps purchased in the establishment took place in the evening. If the office were forced to close the service to the citizens would be greatly impaired, and the mails would be in some cases delayed.

"This is only a first shot," observed Alderman Andros. "This will be a weekly occurrence," he declared, moving that the matter be left to the framers of the by-law. "Yes, I know there will be other complaints," replied Alderman Johns, stoutly defending the measure, of which he was the sponsor, "but if you allow exceptions you will have them coming in from all sides. There is no Early Closing By-law that would please everybody. Some people would get stamps after midnight. We can do nothing."

"It is a Federal matter," agreed Alderman Patrick, "and if the Federal Government wants to keep its offices open it can do so—but it is no duty of ours."

IMMATURE ANIMALS MUST NOT BE SOLD

The selling of immature animals in the form of meat was brought to the attention of the City Council last night. The City Health Officer informed the Council that he had seen for sale in the Public Market a calf not more than a week old. He explained that the provincial measures preventing such sales did not apply in municipalities unless municipal Councils took measures to show their desire by order to be enforced. He, therefore, advised the Victoria Aldermen to request that the provisions concerning the sale of immature veal and other similar ordinances now applying only to rural districts be placed in operation in the city.

The Health By-law should be amended to meet these needs, said Alderman Johns, while the Mayor agreed that something ought to be done. With this end in view the City Solicitor and the Health Committee will deliberate on the matter.

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CITY CLERK RETIRES AFTER LONG SERVICE

W. J. Dowler's Resignation Accepted by Council; Work Appreciated

The resignation of W. J. Dowler, City Clerk, was accepted by the City Council last night; remarks of warm appreciation and commendation for the retiring official's work and ability being passed by the Aldermen.

A graduate of Toronto University, Mr. Dowler came to Victoria from that city. Having studied theology, he was associated with the Methodist Church in Saanich, and more than thirty years ago accepted the position of City Clerk. Mr. Dowler's letter of resignation ran as follows:

"I hereby tender my resignation from all official relationship to and official connection with the corporation of the City of Victoria. "More than thirty years ago I entered the employ of the corporation as City Clerk, and I have now the pleasing consciousness that during all that time I have rendered the city as faithfully and efficient service as lay in my power to give."

"I retire with nothing but goodwill for members of the present and past councils and civic officials, and in the best wishes for the full success of the present council's administration of the city's affairs in 1919."

Express Commendation. In seconding the motion that the resignation be received Alderman Cameron felt that he should express his appreciation of Mr. Dowler's long and faithful services. "I have always found the City Clerk willing and ready to do anything in his power and to meet all requests with alacrity and courtesy. "I have always been impressed," said Alderman Sargent, "by the readiness with which Mr. Dowler has been able to lay his hand on any paper or document. He has always seemed to me a most efficient official."

SPRING CLEANING TIME HAS ARRIVED

City Asks Citizens to Co-operate in Promoting Health and Beauty

Spring cleaning time has arrived! Dr. A. G. Price, Medical Health Officer for Victoria, is taking steps to have orders issued which he hopes will result in the removal of all offensive features of the accumulations which have taken place during the winter months.

With the arrival of the warmer weather Dr. Price says it is essential that every precaution should be taken by the householder and the business man to see that there is nothing left lying about that might result in the breeding of disease. The Chinese quarter of the city will receive particular attention in the carrying out of the instructions to be issued.

The co-operation of everyone in the city is requested to make the spring cleaning a success. Dr. Price points out that there are quite a number of lots which, though they may not have any decaying matter lying about, are littered with unsightly material that could be easily removed or burned and he hopes that a hearty response will be made to his appeal for a complete renovation.

The movement will result in considerably beautifying the city, and Dr. Price does not consider that any urging will be necessary but that the citizens will go even farther than the ordinary regulations provide and will carry the work to the extent of cleaning up many of the lots that are now covered with unsightly refuse. If everything possible is done to let the sunlight into every possible nook and corner it will go a long way toward promoting the good health of the community, he says.

The city departments will co-operate in every possible way to make the clean-up a complete success, says Dr. Price.

FOR THE PEOPLE

Alderman Sargent, in Role of Tribune, Stands for Rights of Fair Citizens.

Alderman Sargent assumed the role of a tribune last night when a neighborly dispute was brought to the attention of the City Council. It appeared by her letter that Mrs. Annie Dauphin had had a controversy with a neighbor over a certain fence, and she feared that a lawsuit could not, in view of the other party's longer bank roll, but go against her. The letter mentioned that on one occasion the neighbor had slammed a door in her face when she had endeavored to broach the subject of the troublesome fence.

Alderman Sargent wanted the letter filed and Alderman Andros, while expressing keen regret for the lady in her unfortunate predicament, did not see that the Council could do anything.

Alderman Sargent objected promptly. "It is quite right and proper," he declared, "that a citizen should have the privilege of the City Solicitor's advice. We owe that courtesy to the citizens of the city."

On the strength of this plea the letter was referred to the City Solicitor for reply.

Found After Forty Years.—A colliery explosion in North Staffordshire, England, nearly forty years ago, is recalled by the recovery of the bodies of two brothers from a pit of the Whitfield Colliery, near Tunstall. In February, 1881, an explosion occurred as a result of which twenty-four lives were lost. Six bodies were not recovered. Operations in a neighboring pit belonging to the same firm, the Chatterley Whitfield Colliery Company, led to the discovery of the bodies in an old roadway. The bodies have been identified as those of George Dale, married, thirty-three, and Joseph Dale, twenty-two, both of Smallthorne, in which district the widow and daughter of George Dale and a sister and brother of the two men are still living.

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The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm Men, with the hearty approval of the Mayor and members of the Home Committee, has opened a subscription to defray the cost of installing a portable moving picture projector at the Home. The installation of such a machine would prove to be a source of infinite pleasure and amusement to the inmates. The subscription list is open at Terry's Drug Store, and Manager McIntosh hopes for a generous response from the public.

The manager of the Home for Aged and Infirm Men desires to acknowl-

edge with thanks the following donations: Mrs. W. Pearce, Illustrated London News; Mrs. Porter, apples; Mrs. Leason, Collier's Weekly; Mrs. McDonald, clothing; Mrs. Slingsby, Daily Sketches; Miss Mannix, magazines; H. F. Bishop, reading matter; Victoria Daily Times, two copies daily; Colonist, two copies daily; Semi-Weekly Tribune, two copies weekly; Christian Science; Monitor, one copy weekly.

GLASS ON PAVEMENTS

Miscreants Set Piles of Broken Glass on Yates Street to Puncture Motor Tires.

At various times deliberate attempts

have been made by parties, as yet unknown, to puncture and tear the tires of motor cars. Tacks and nails have been spread on the pavements with disastrous results to motor car owners. The other night, the miscreants resorted to another form of destruction. On the corner of Yates and Cook Streets three piles of crushed glass were set in such positions that a car could not miss running over one or the other. Chief Langley was proceeding along Yates Street about 11 o'clock and noticed the glass. He immediately had it swept up. The authorities are making every effort to locate the parties and heavy punishment will be handed out to any one convicted of the offence.

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